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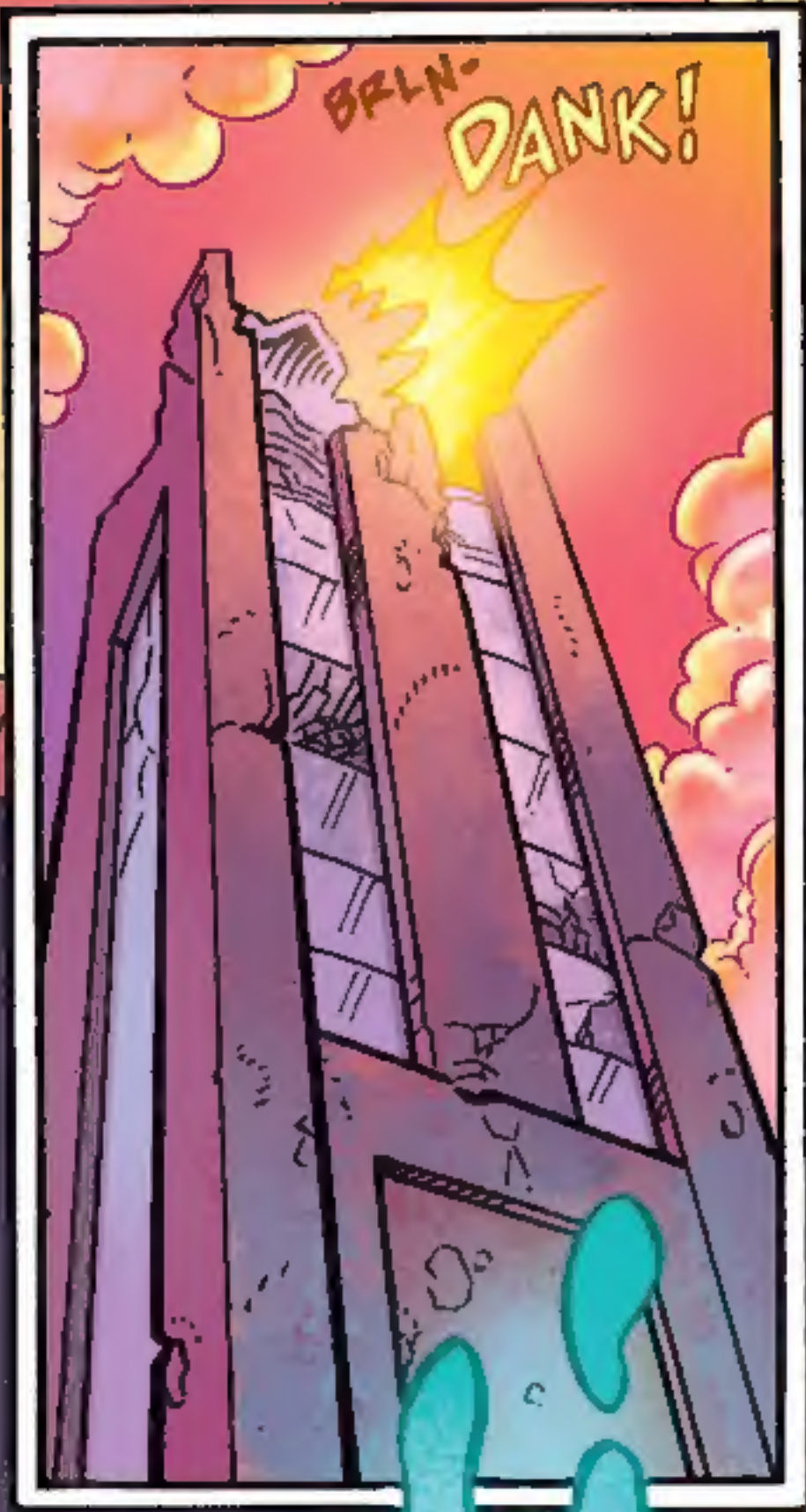
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WELCOME TO THE PLANET MOBIUS-- A WORLD BEYOND WHAT YOU KNOW FROM THE SEGA GAMES-- TWO HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW, SILVER THE HEDGEHOG PREPARES TO BECOME A HERO TO HIS WORLD-- AND ALL OF TIME!

PATIENCE, APPRENTICE. THE ENERGIES OF THE TIME STONE ARE VAST AND POWERFUL. JUST BECAUSE YOU USE THEM TO TRAVEL THROUGH TIME DOES NOT MEAN YOU SHOULD TAP INTO THEM TOO QUICKLY OR GREEDILY.



MOGUL
SILVER'S
MENTOR

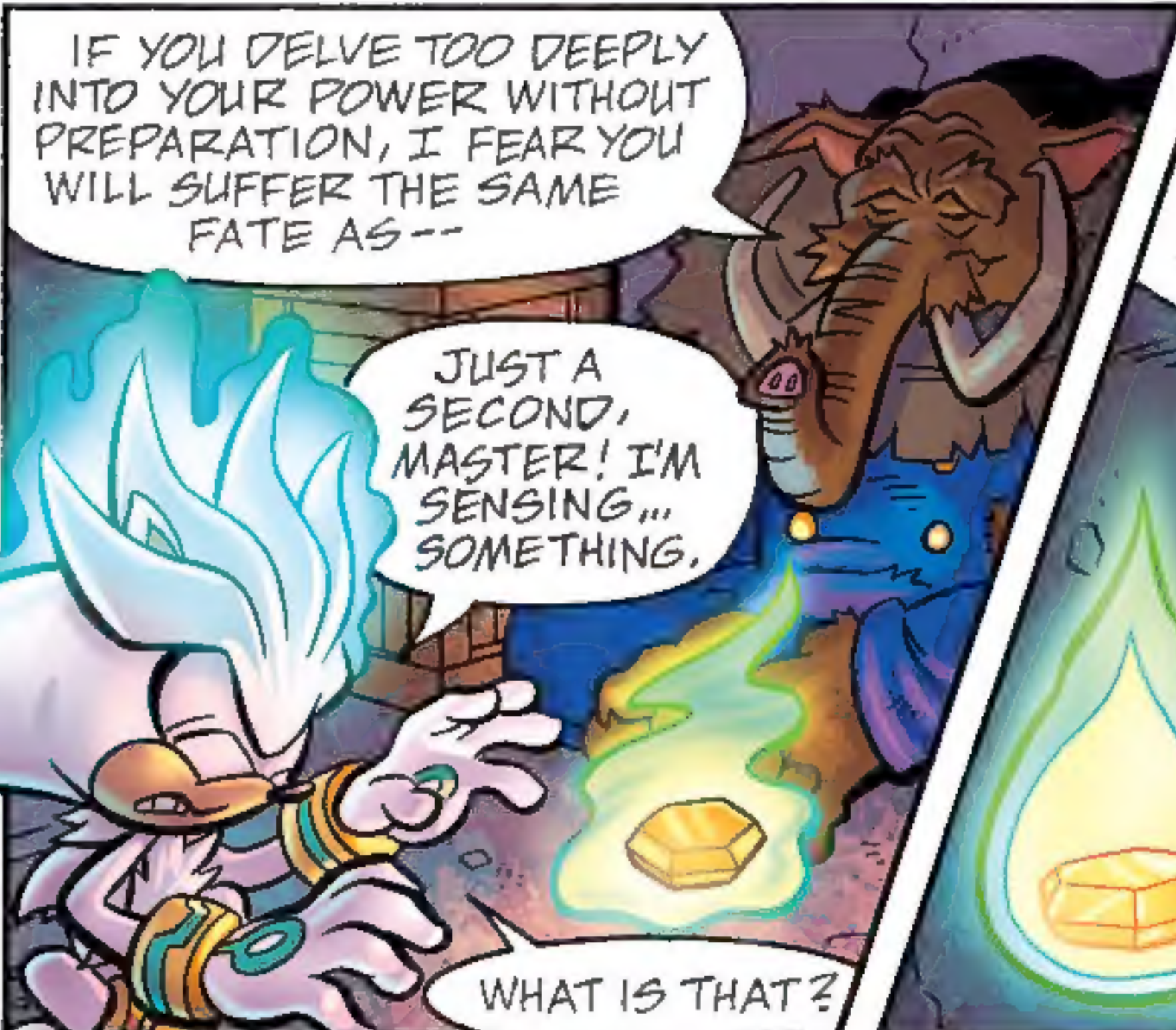
SILVER THE
HEDGEHOG
PSYCHIC TIME-
TRAVELER

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THIS IS WHY WE PRACTICE, LIKE THE TIME STONE, YOU HAVE INCREDIBLE POTENTIAL.



IF YOU DELVE TOO DEEPLY INTO YOUR POWER WITHOUT PREPARATION, I FEAR YOU WILL SUFFER THE SAME FATE AS---

JUST A SECOND, MASTER! I'M SENSING... SOMETHING.

WHAT IS THAT?



IT APPEARS WE HAVE A VISITOR FROM ANOTHER TIME. PERHAPS ANOTHER DIMENSION ENTIRELY.

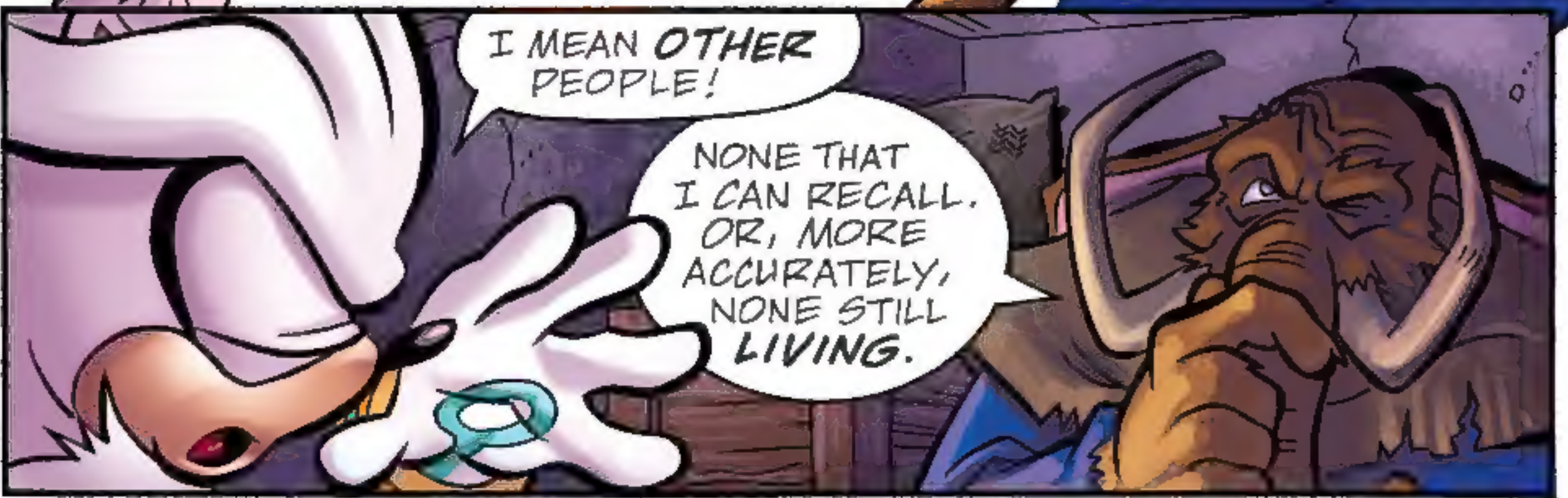


YOU MEAN THEY CROSSED FROM THEIR ZONE TO OURS? PEOPLE CAN DO THAT?

YOU'VE DONE IT YOURSELF, CHILD. MORE THAN ONCE.*

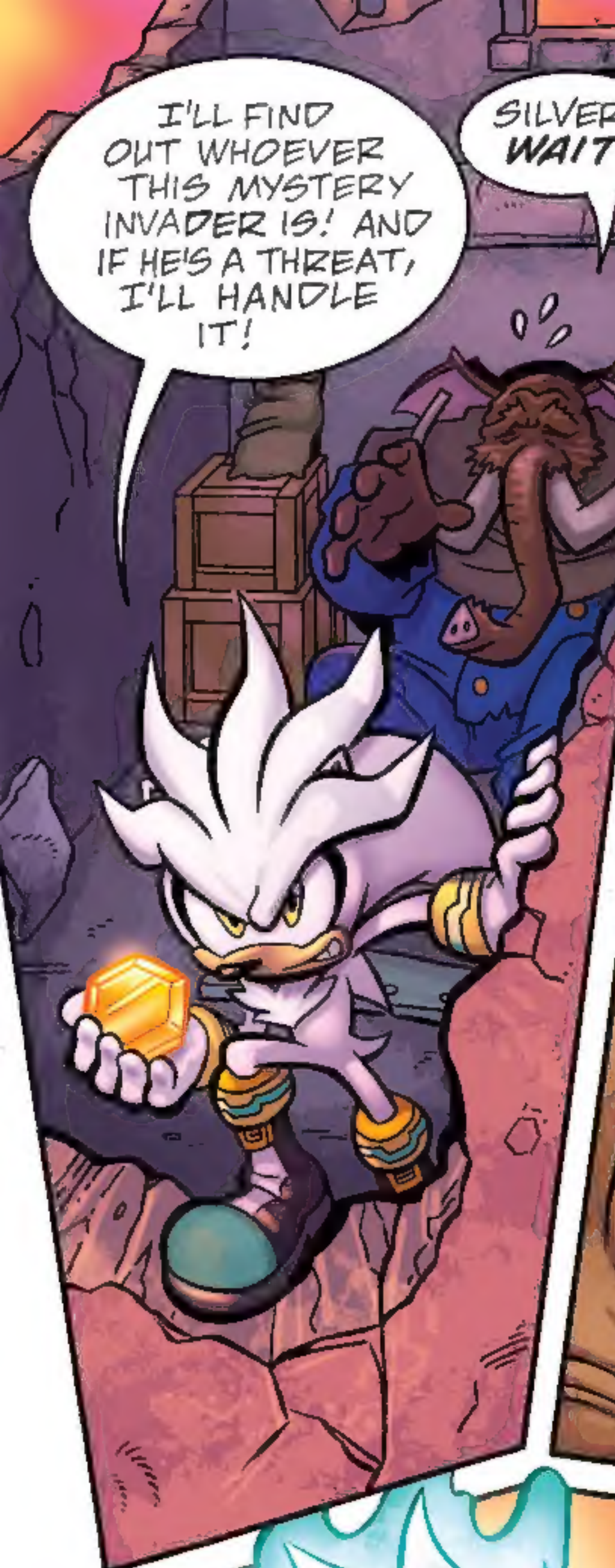


* SEE **SU#5-8** "30 YEARS LATER" AND HIS EXPERIENCES ON MOEBIUS.



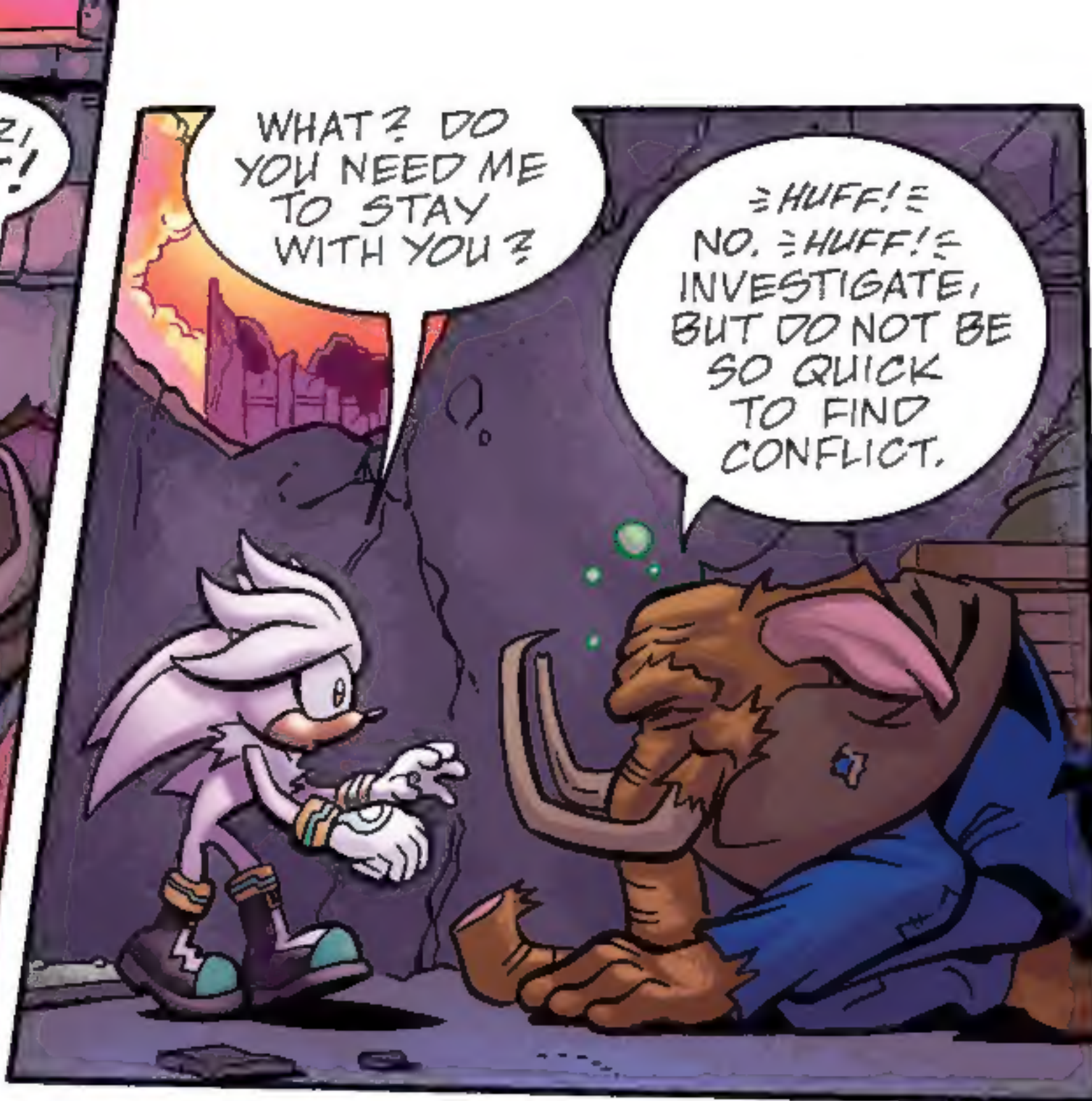
I MEAN OTHER PEOPLE!

NONE THAT I CAN RECALL. OR, MORE ACCURATELY, NONE STILL LIVING.

Silver the Hedgehog is shown in a rocky, dimly lit environment. He is holding a glowing golden cube in his right hand. He has a determined and slightly angry expression. In the background, a large, brown, horned creature is visible, looking towards Silver.

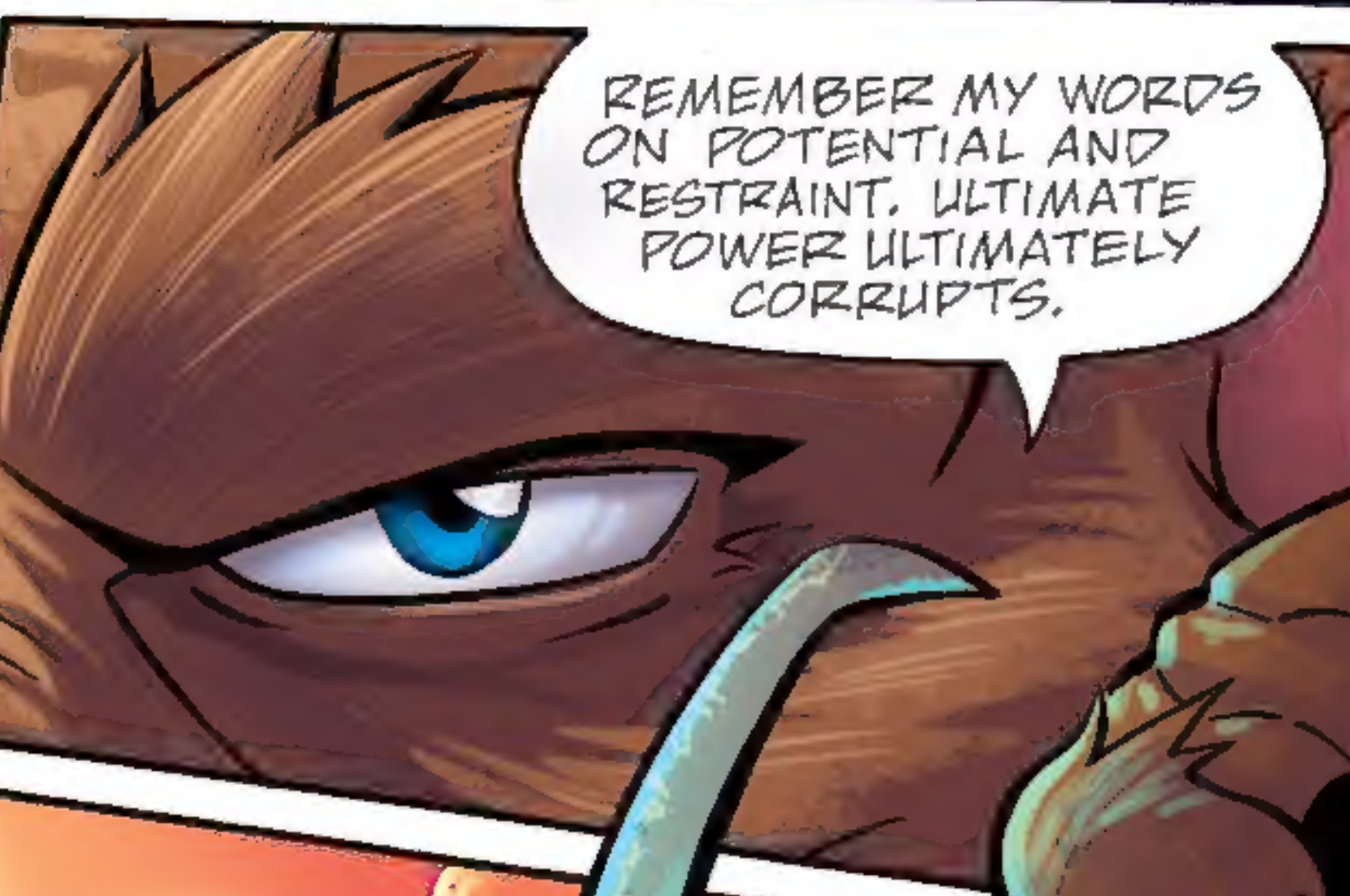
I'LL FIND OUT WHOEVER THIS MYSTERY INVADER IS! AND IF HE'S A THREAT, I'LL HANDLE IT!

SILVER, WAIT!

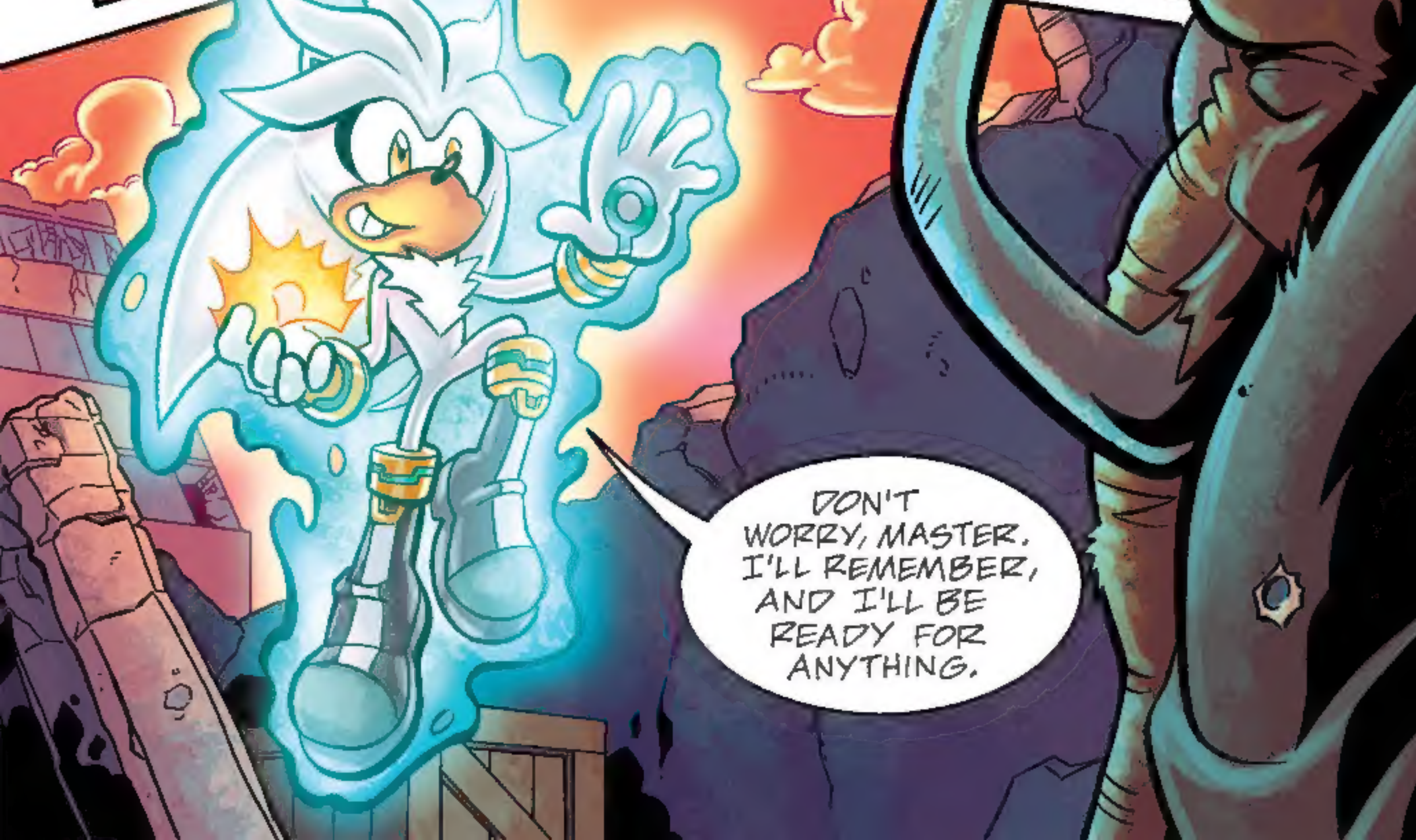
Silver is standing and talking to a large, brown, horned creature who is sitting on the ground. The creature has a blue collar and a small blue gem on its forehead. The background shows a sunset or sunrise over a rocky landscape.

WHAT? DO YOU NEED ME TO STAY WITH YOU?

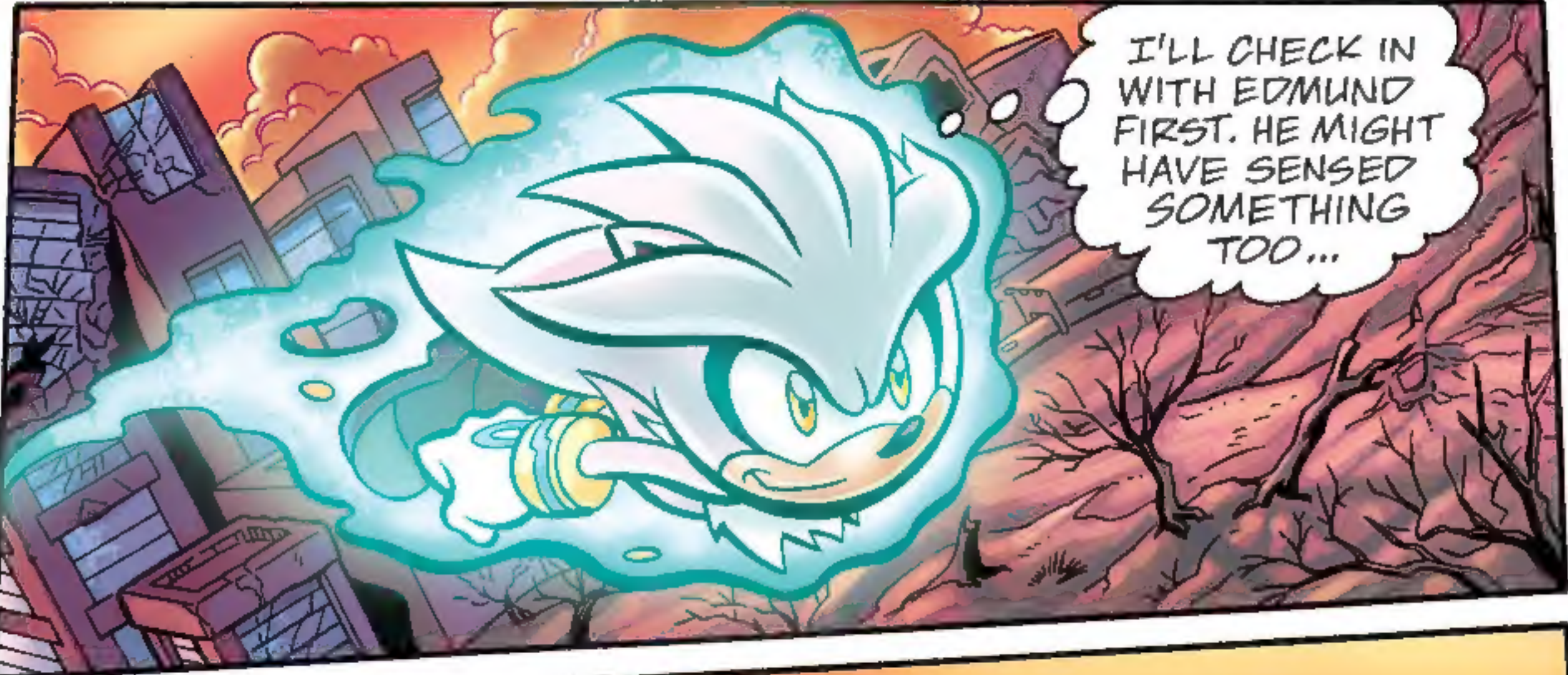
≡HUFF!≡
NO. ≡HUFF!≡
INVESTIGATE, BUT DO NOT BE SO QUICK TO FIND CONFLICT.

A close-up shot of the horned creature's face, focusing on its blue eye. The creature has a serious and somewhat stern expression.

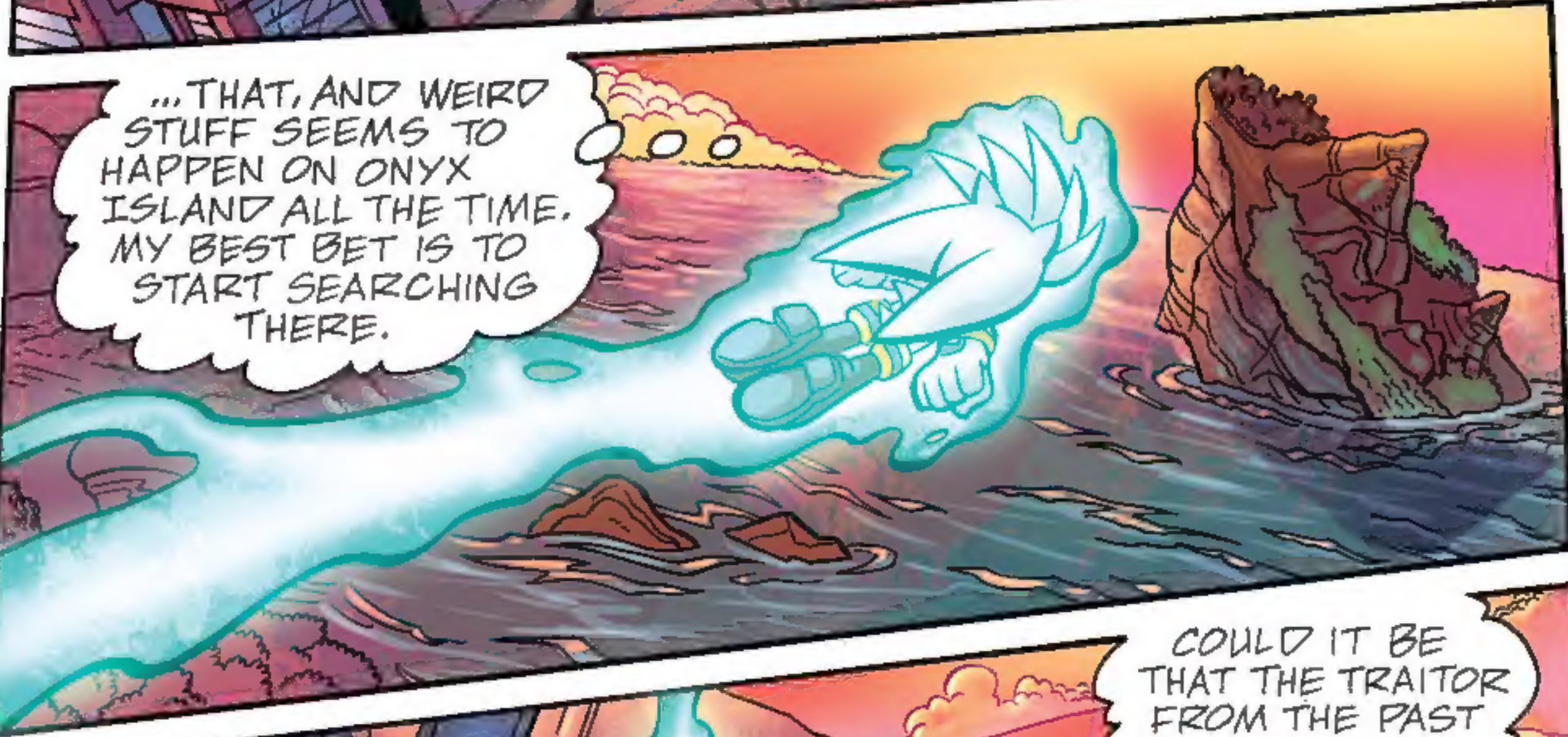
REMEMBER MY WORDS ON POTENTIAL AND RESTRAINT. ULTIMATE POWER ULTIMATELY CORRUPTS.

Silver is shown from the waist up, surrounded by a bright blue, ethereal energy field. He is holding the golden cube and has a confident, smiling expression. The background is a bright, orange and yellow sky with some clouds.

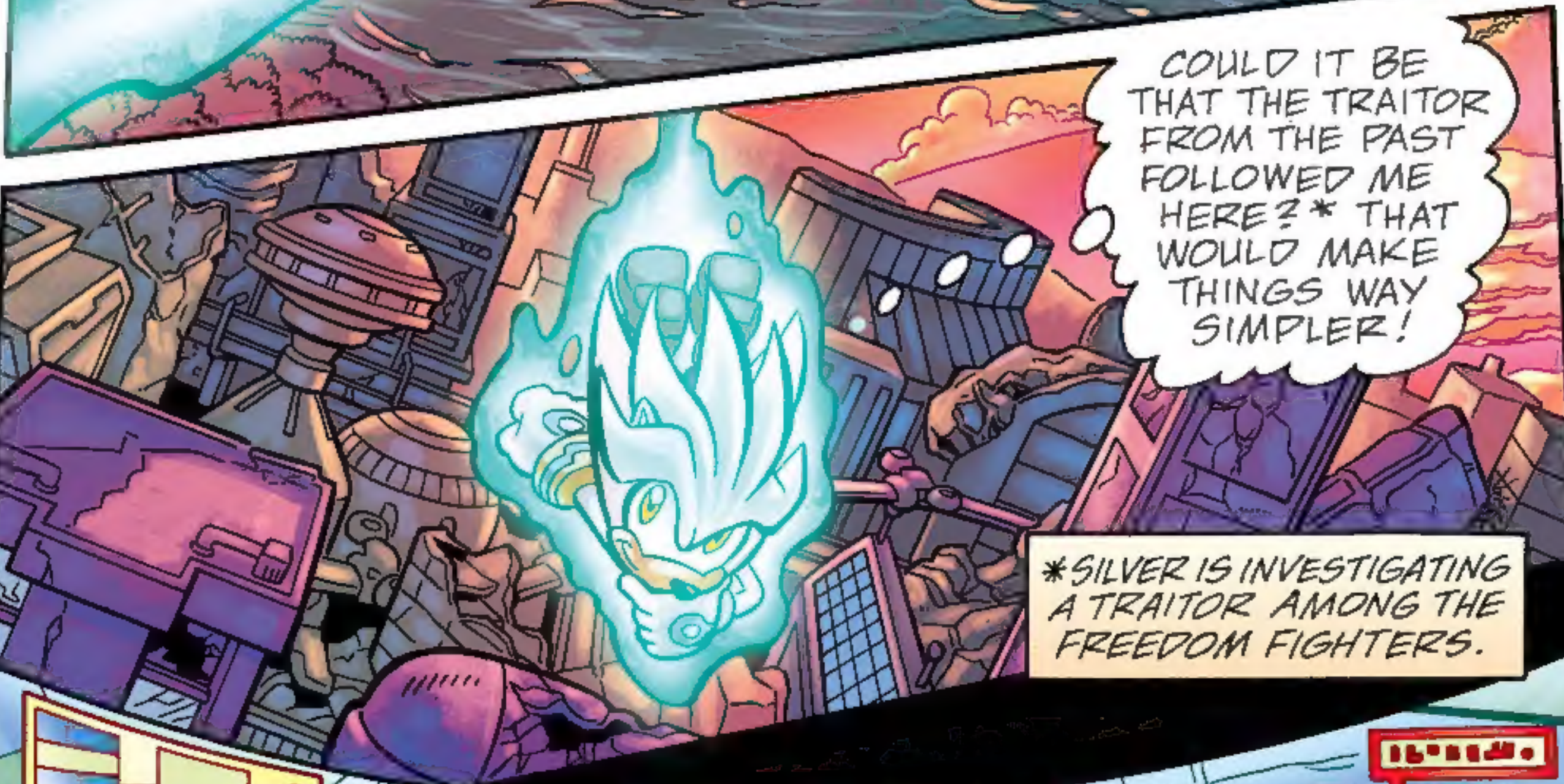
DON'T WORRY, MASTER, I'LL REMEMBER, AND I'LL BE READY FOR ANYTHING.



I'LL CHECK IN WITH EDMUND FIRST. HE MIGHT HAVE SENSED SOMETHING TOO...

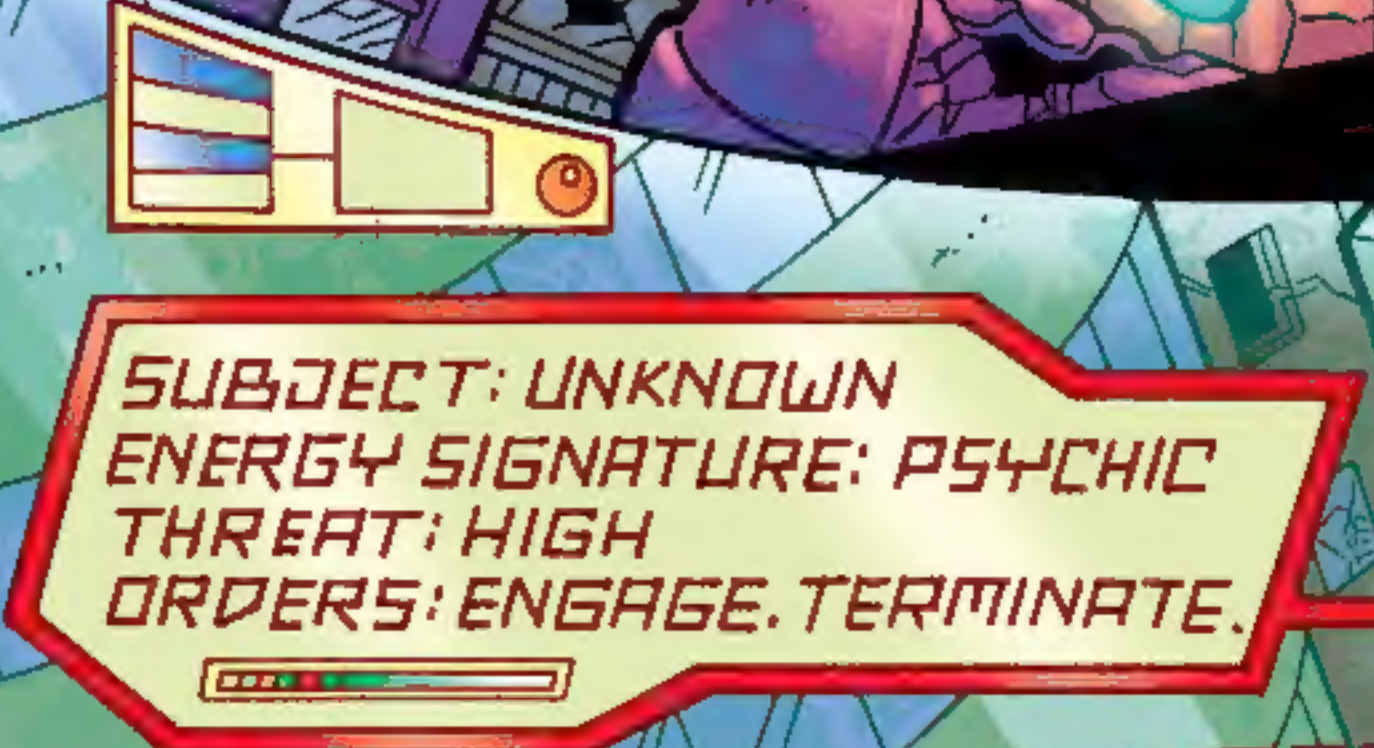


... THAT, AND WEIRD STUFF SEEMS TO HAPPEN ON ONYX ISLAND ALL THE TIME. MY BEST BET IS TO START SEARCHING THERE.

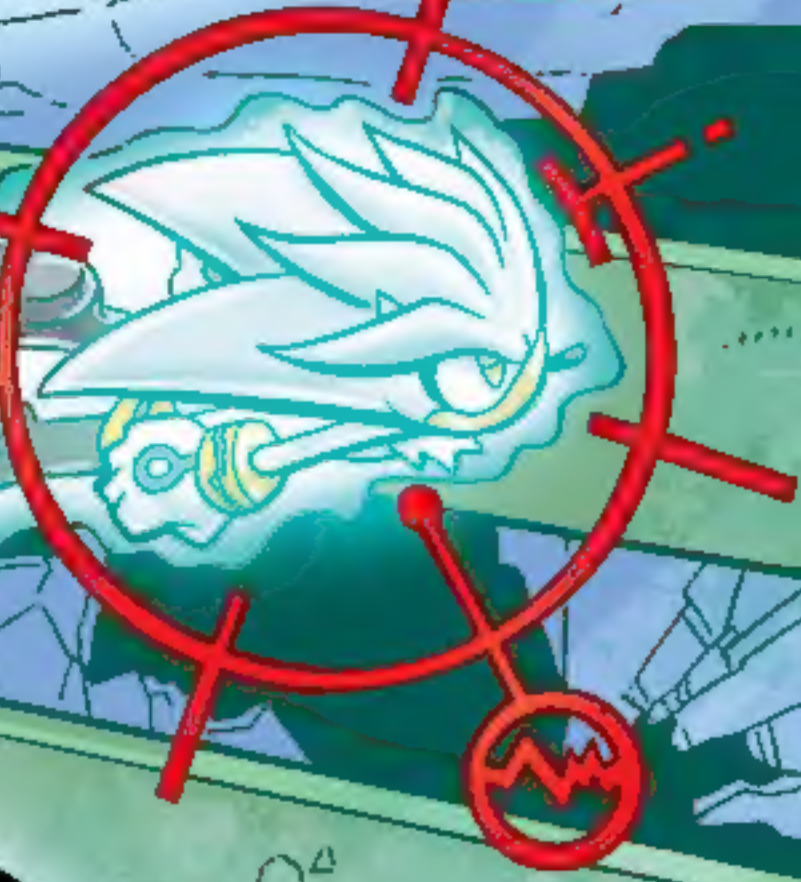


COULD IT BE THAT THE TRAITOR FROM THE PAST FOLLOWED ME HERE? * THAT WOULD MAKE THINGS WAY SIMPLER!

*SILVER IS INVESTIGATING A TRAITOR AMONG THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS.



SUBJECT: UNKNOWN
ENERGY SIGNATURE: PSYCHIC
THREAT: HIGH
ORDERS: ENGAGE. TERMINATE.





VEKT!

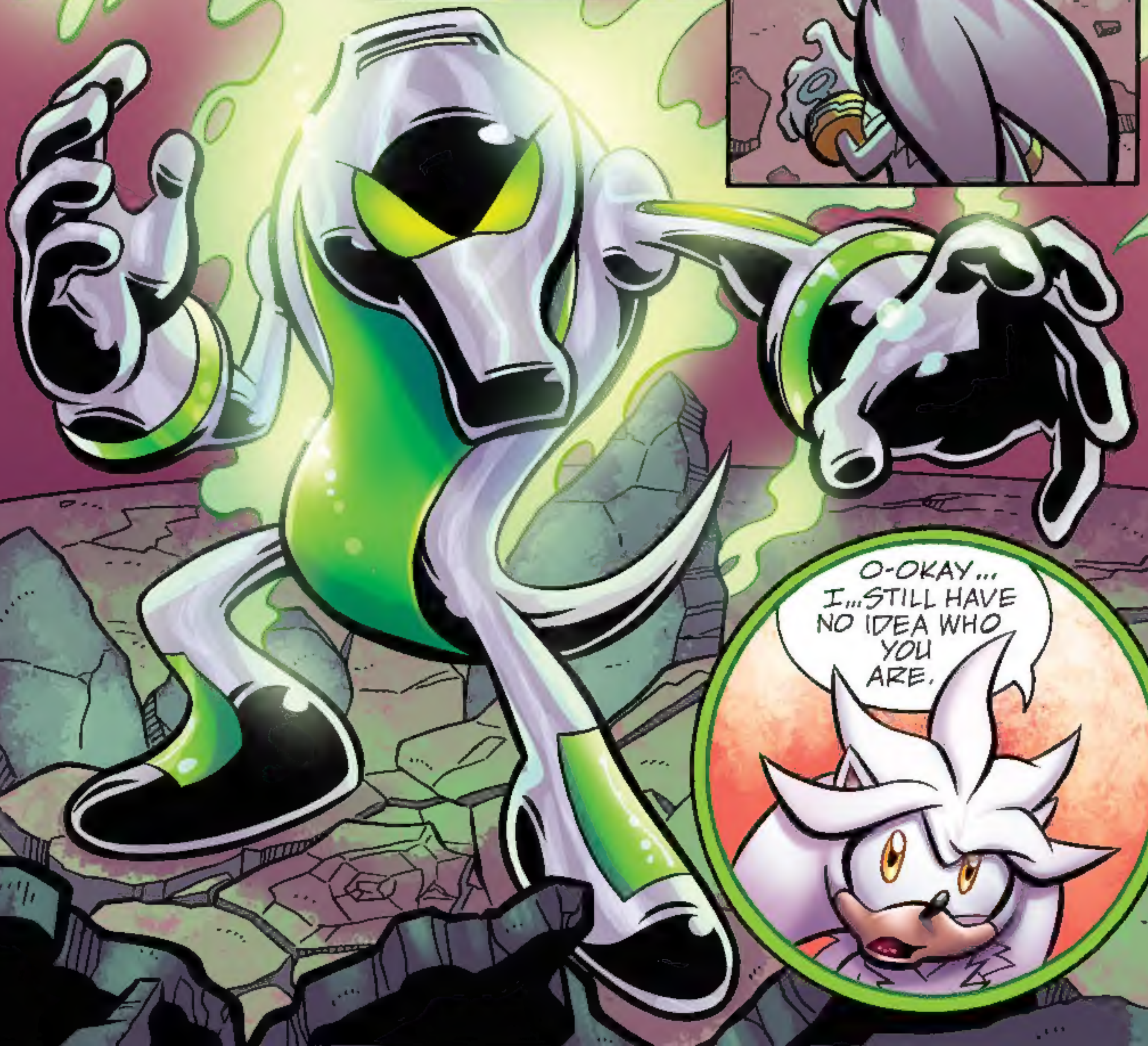
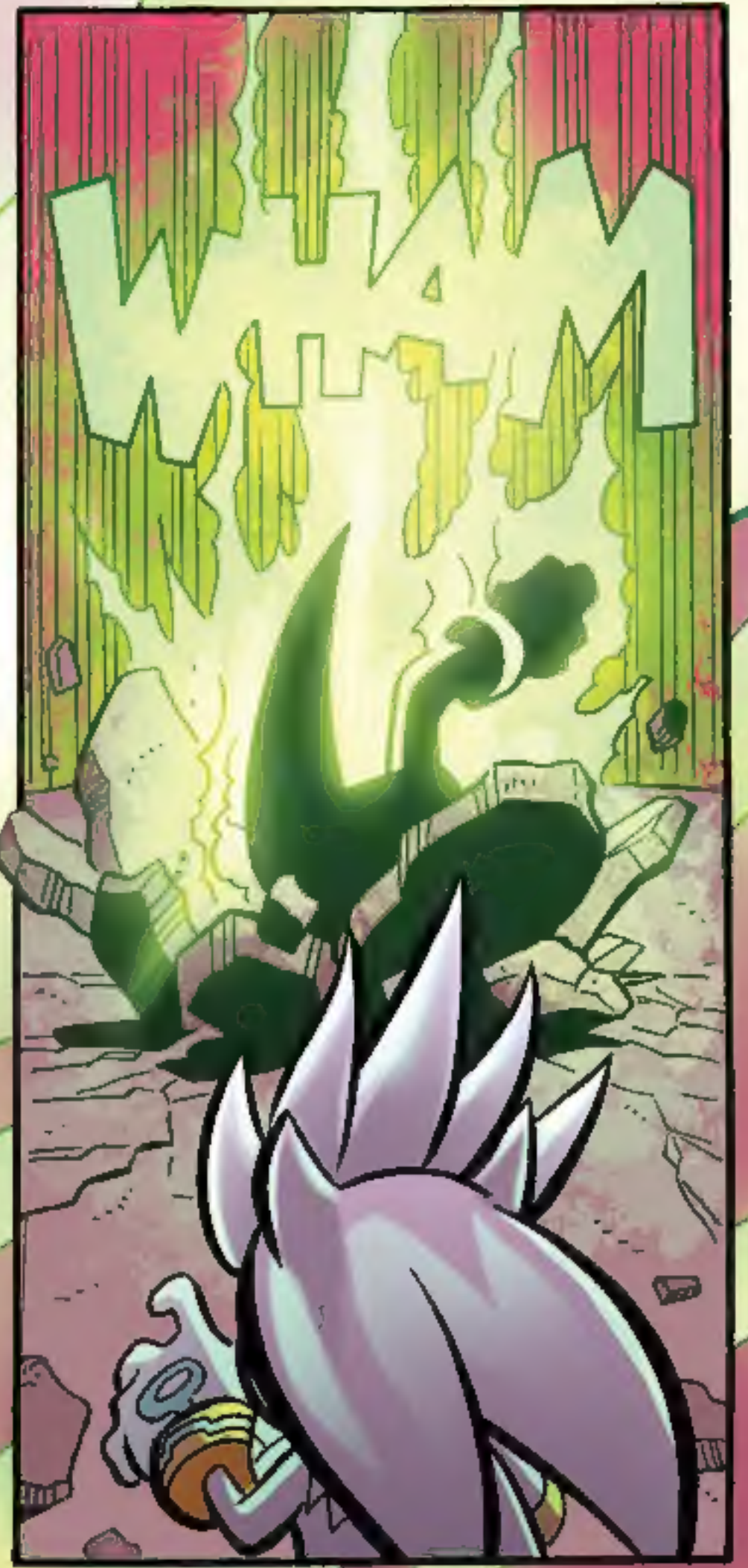
MAYBE FOR ONCE THEY'LL BE FRIENDL--
AUGH!

NO. OF COURSE NOT.

BUT YOU WON'T GET THE DROP ON ME TWICE!

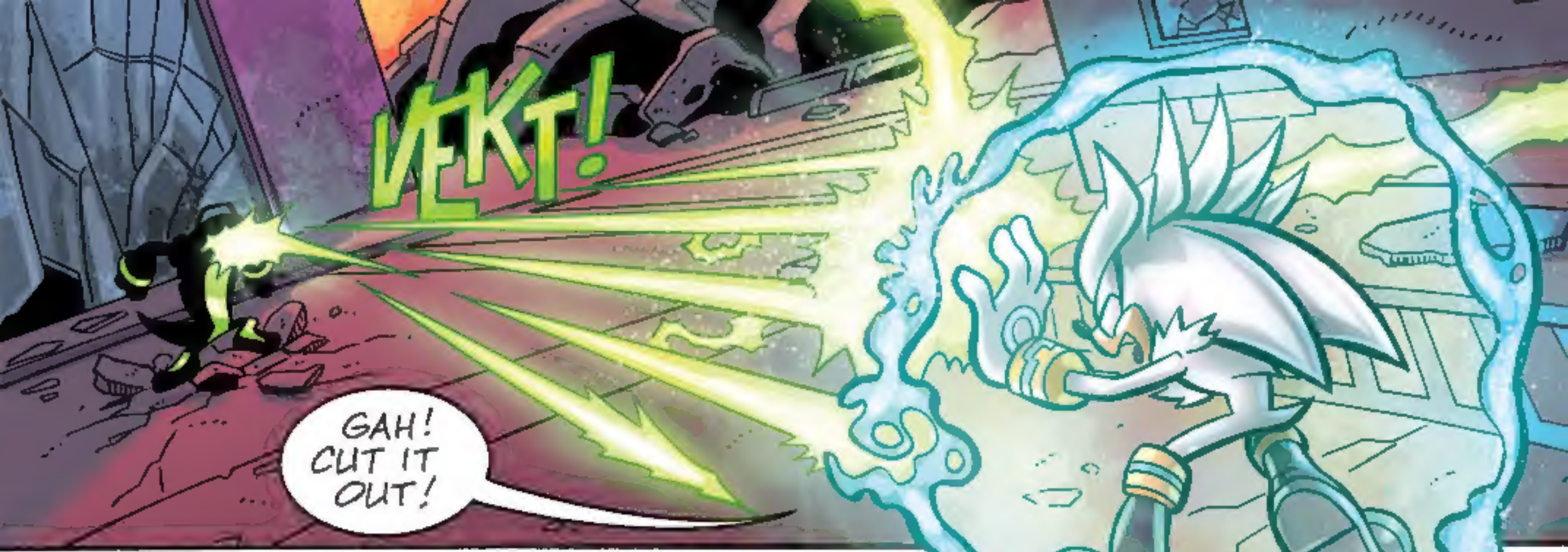
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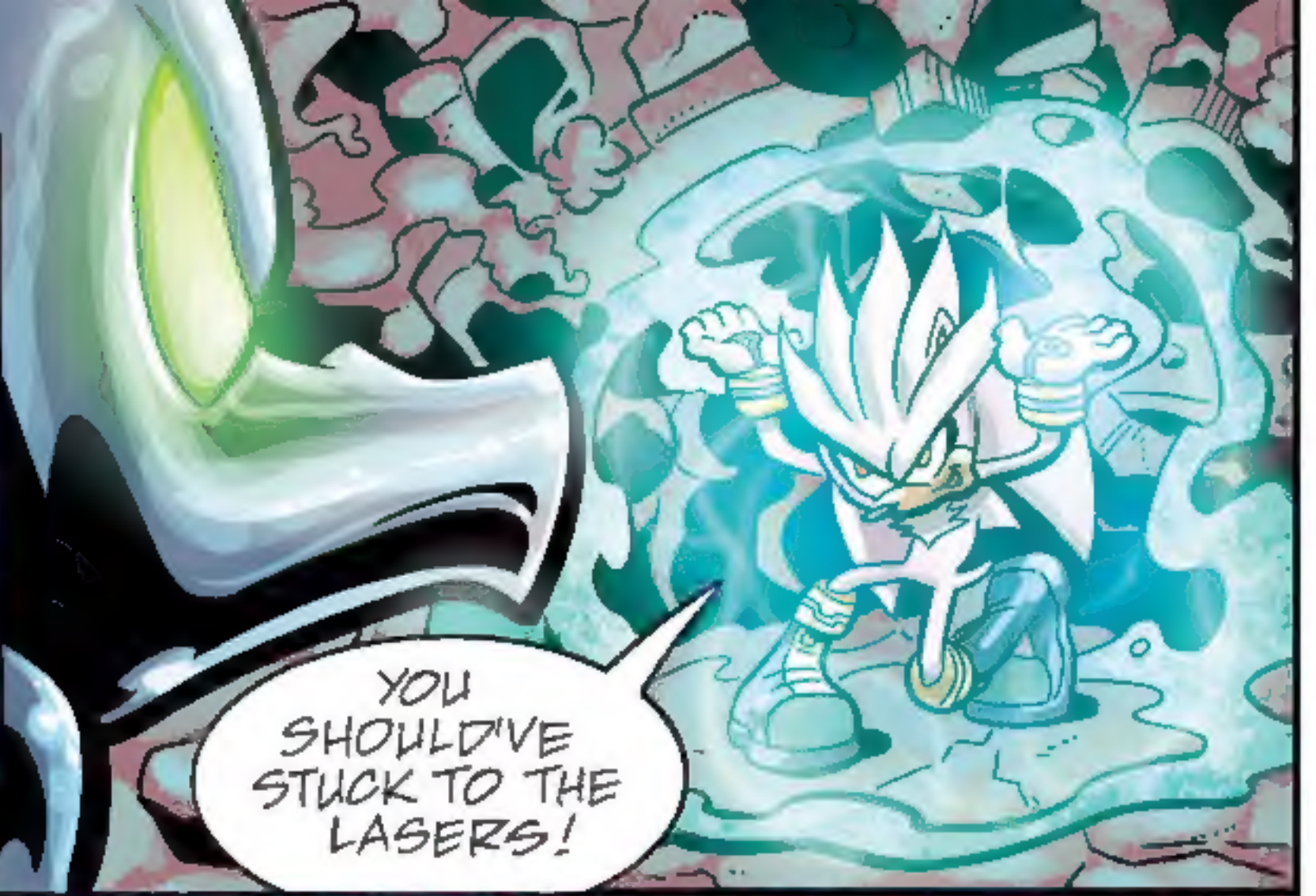
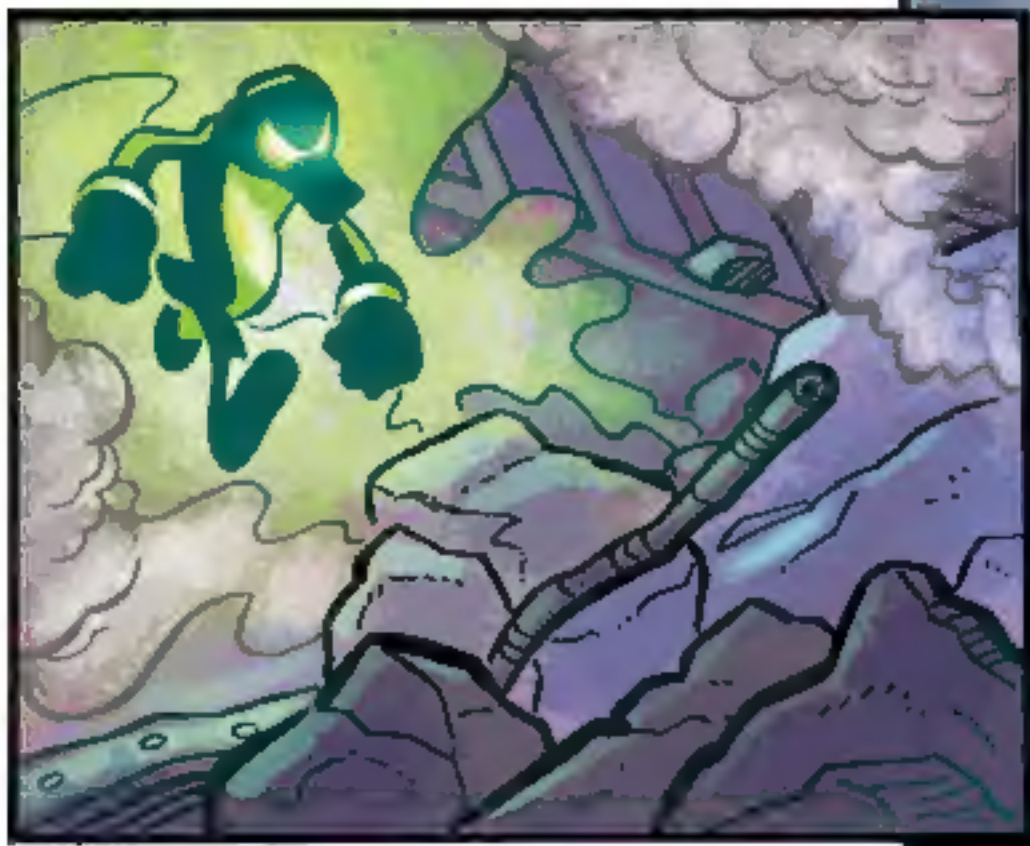
WHO'S THERE?!
SHOW YOURSELF!



O-O-KAY...
I... STILL HAVE
NO IDEA WHO
YOU
ARE.







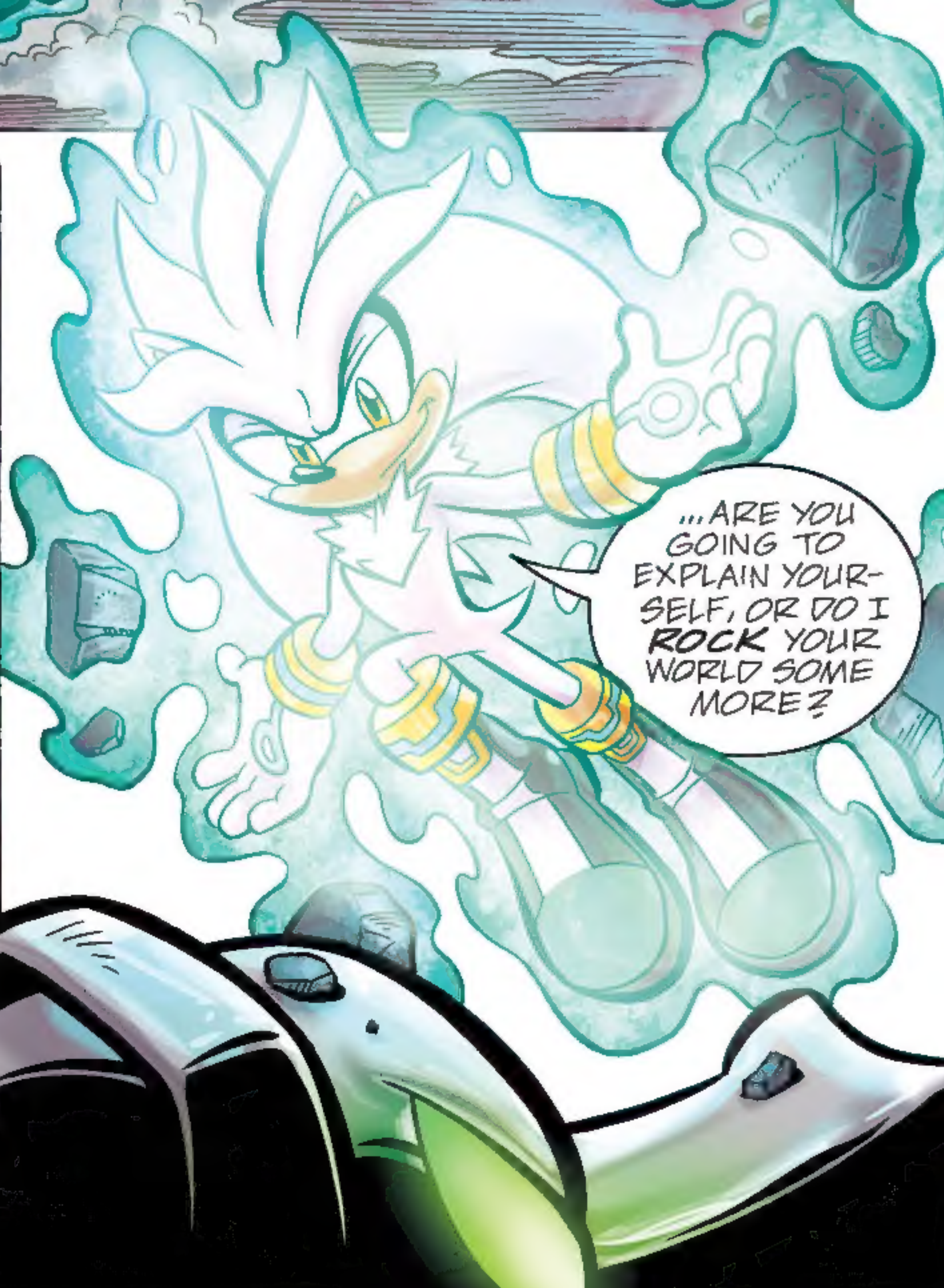
YOU SHOULD'VE STUCK TO THE LASERS!



MY TURN, JERK!



NOW, THEN...



...ARE YOU GOING TO EXPLAIN YOURSELF, OR DO I ROCK YOUR WORLD SOME MORE?



THAT'S RIGHT!
RUN!



NO,
WAIT,
I WAS
QUESTIONING
HIM.




GET
BACK HERE!
TRUCE! I
JUST WANT
ANSWERS!



I'LL ADMIT, I GOT
A LITTLE CARRIED
AWAY. ALL I WANT
TO KNOW IS...



...WHERE
DID YOU
GO?



OH
COME ON!
WE ALREADY
KNOW WHO WILL
WIN THIS
FIGHT!

WASH!

**THUNDER
ARROW!**

GOT
YOU!

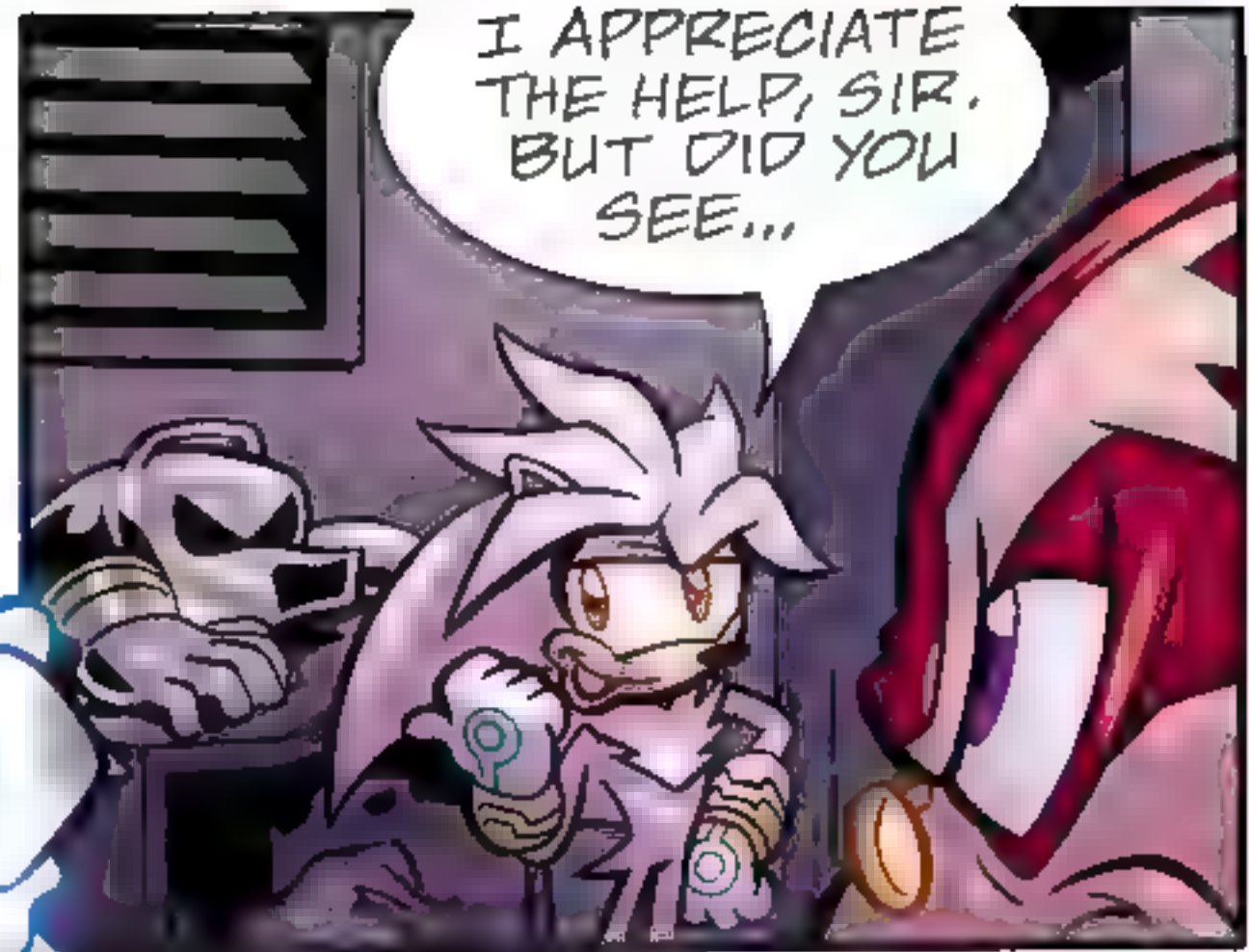
THOUGHT YOU
COULD SNEAK UP
ON ME, DID YOU?

HE
DID, YOU
TWERP.

**EDMUND
THE LAST
GUARDIAN**

YOU'RE LUCKY
I'VE STILL GOT
ENOUGH ZIP TO
WATCH YOUR
BACK.

I APPRECIATE
THE HELP, SIR,
BUT DID YOU
SEE...



WHOOF!

HOW YOU TORE
UP WHAT'S LEFT
OF MY CITY?
YEAH, SLIPPER!
I DID!

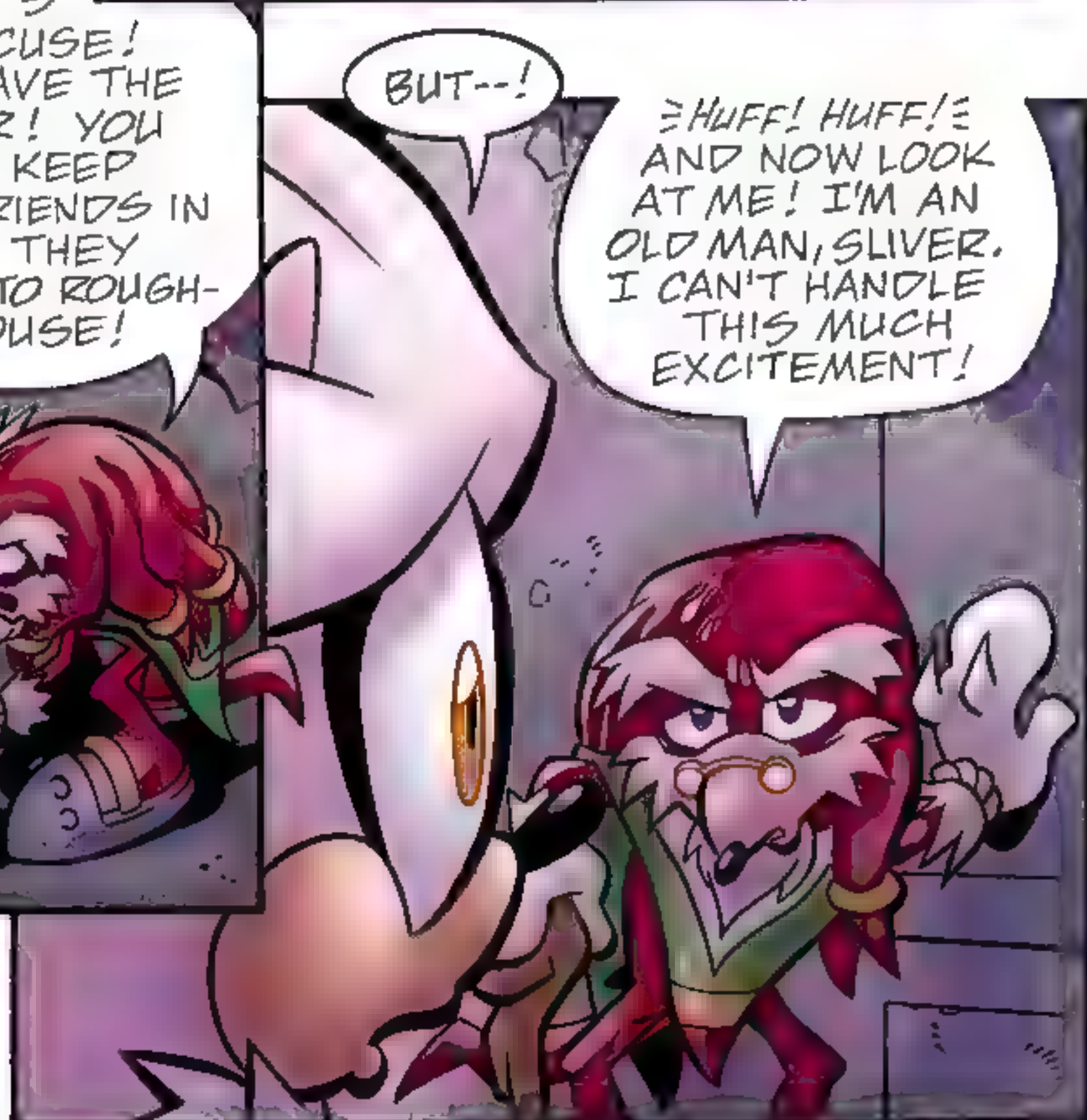
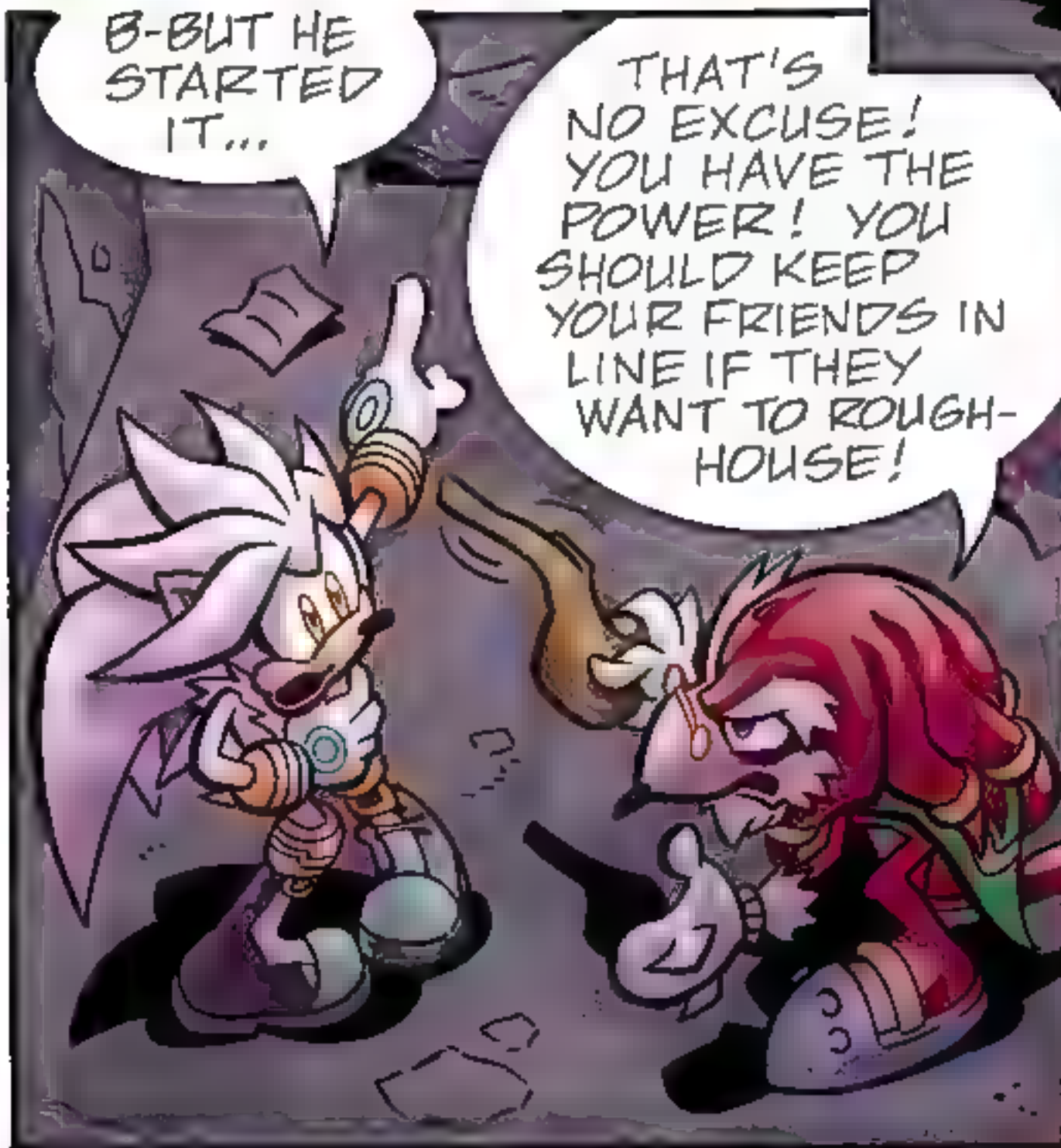


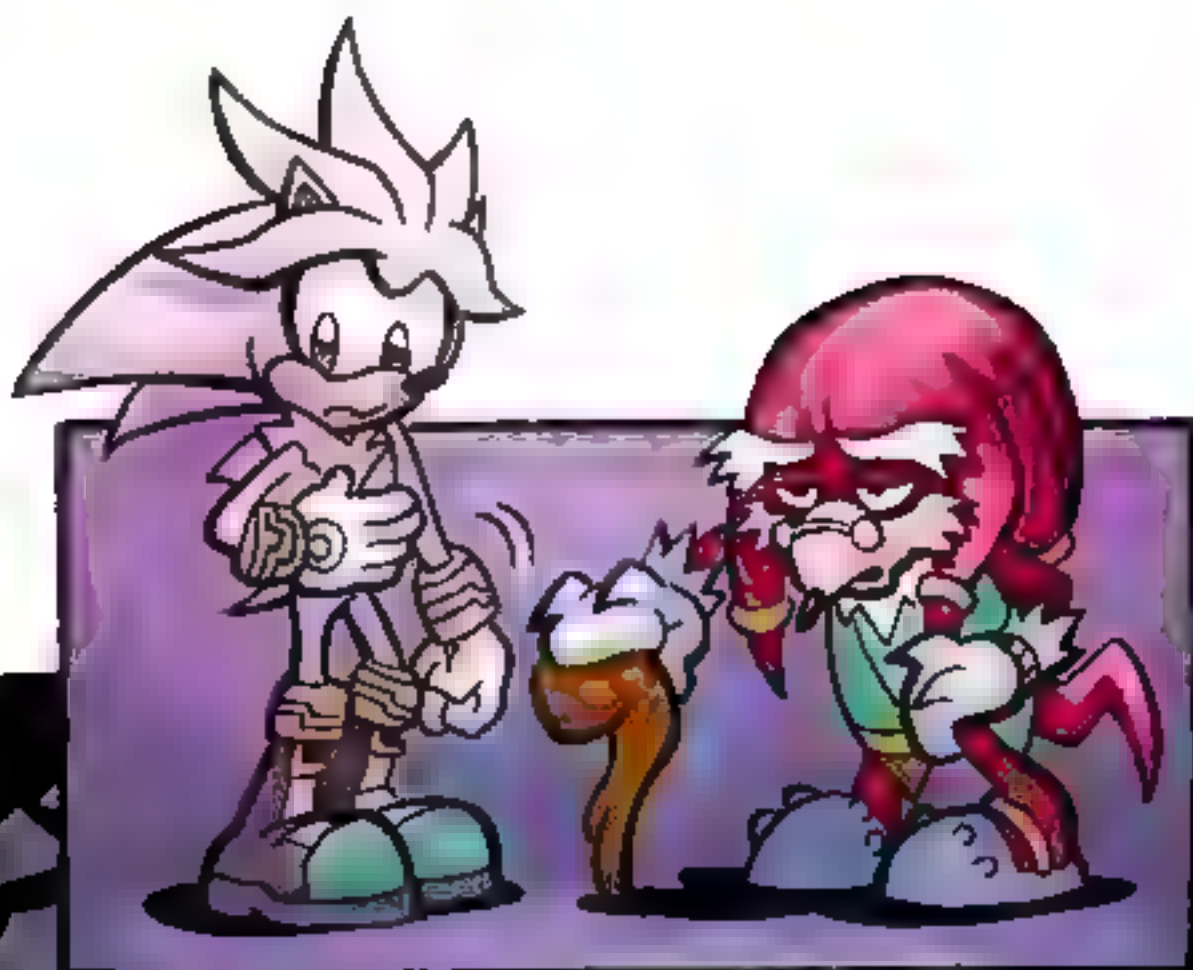
B-BUT HE
STARTED
IT...

THAT'S
NO EXCUSE!
YOU HAVE THE
POWER! YOU
SHOULD KEEP
YOUR FRIENDS IN
LINE IF THEY
WANT TO ROUGH-
HOUSE!

BUT--!

≡HUFF! HUFF!≡
AND NOW LOOK
AT ME! I'M AN
OLD MAN, SLIVER.
I CAN'T HANDLE
THIS MUCH
EXCITEMENT!





DO YOU RECOGNIZE HIM? OR... IT?

Hmm... NO. MAKES ME THINK OF MY POPPA FOR SOME REASON, THOUGH.

IF MY MASTER IS RIGHT AND IT IS FROM ANOTHER ZONE, WHY WOULD IT TRAVEL SO FAR JUST TO PICK A FIGHT?

YOU'RE TOO KIND-HEARTED, SILVER. YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND.

I REMEMBER THE STORIES MY MOTHER USED TO TELL ME, AND SHE DIDN'T HAVE IT HALF AS BAD AS MY GRANDDADDY!

Er... RIGHT, BUT ABOUT THIS SHINY GUY HERE...

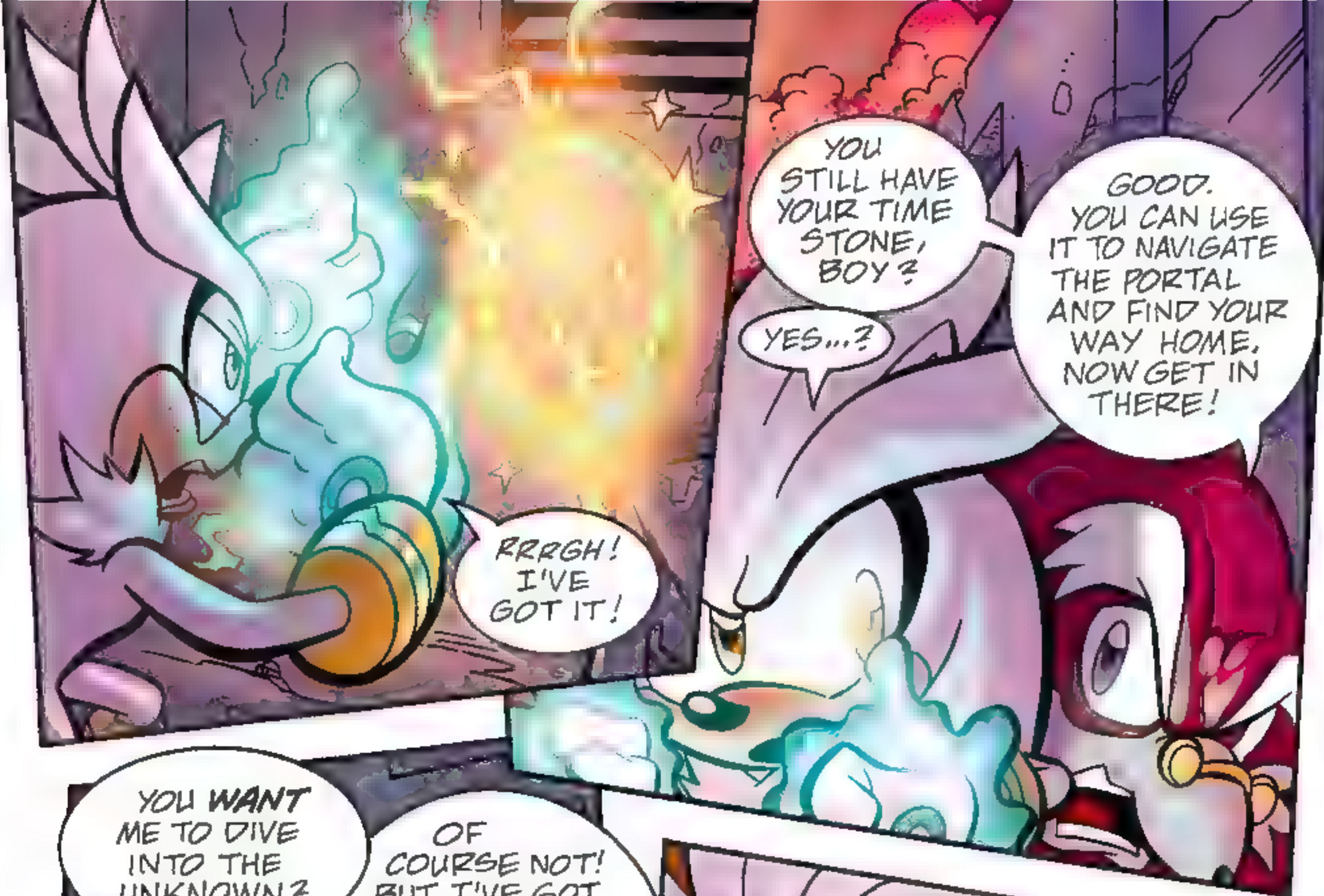
HE JUMPED OFF A BUILDING WITH NO PROBLEM AND HAS LASER EYES. DOES THAT RING ANY BELLS?

PFFT, LASERS. IN MY DAY THEY WERE ALREADY PLAYED OUT. WHY CAN'T THEY COME UP WITH SOMETHING ORIGINAL?

OFFLINE:
REBOOTING...

SYSTEM: ONLINE
MISSION STATUS:
DATA ACQUIRED
THREAT EVALUATED
RETURN AND REPORT





RRRGH!
I'VE
GOT IT!

YOU
STILL HAVE
YOUR TIME
STONE,
BOY?

GOOD.
YOU CAN USE
IT TO NAVIGATE
THE PORTAL
AND FIND YOUR
WAY HOME.
NOW GET IN
THERE!

YES...?



YOU WANT
ME TO DIVE
INTO THE
UNKNOWN?

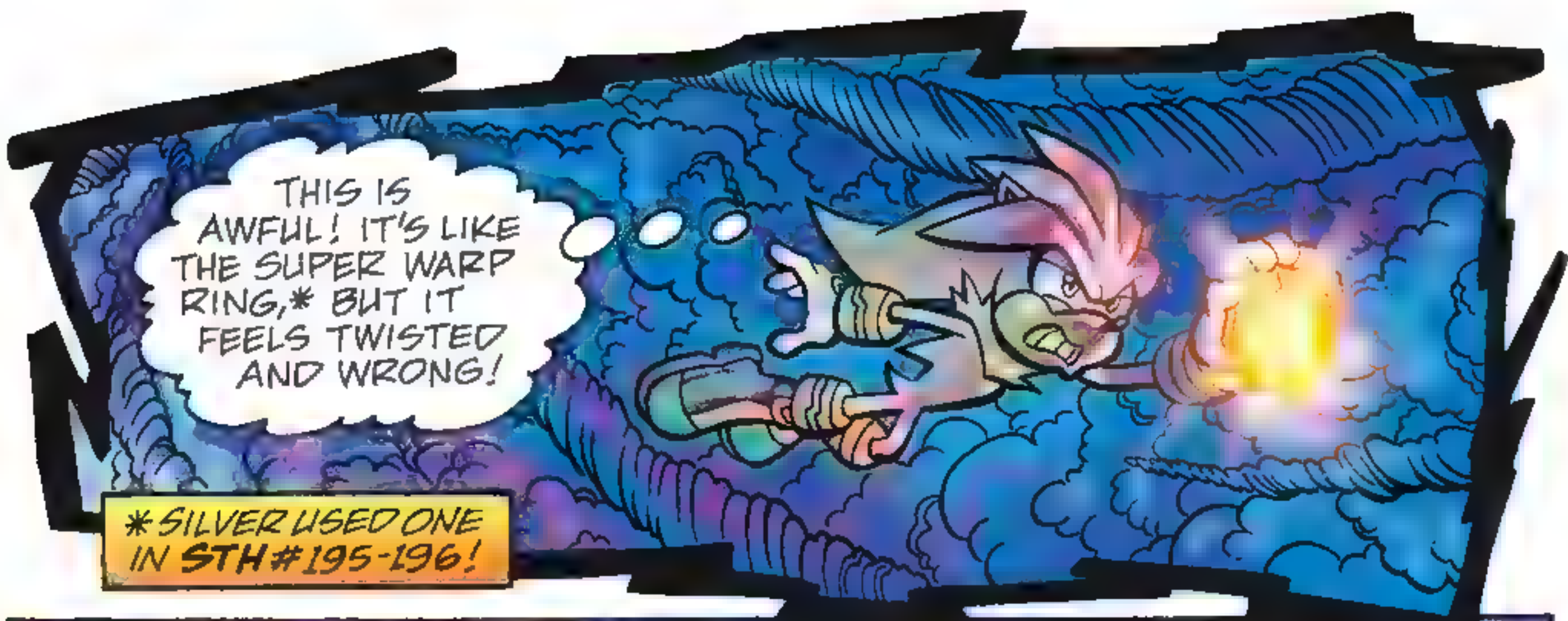
OF
COURSE NOT!
BUT I'VE GOT
A BAD FEELING
ABOUT THAT
THING, AND YOU'RE
THE ONLY ONE
WHO CAN DO
SOMETHING
ABOUT IT.

BE CAREFUL,
BOY. USE YOUR
HEAD, AND I
DON'T JUST MEAN
FOR MAKING ALL
THAT GLOWING
NONSENSE.

YOU
SOUND LIKE
MY MASTER. I'LL
BE FINE!

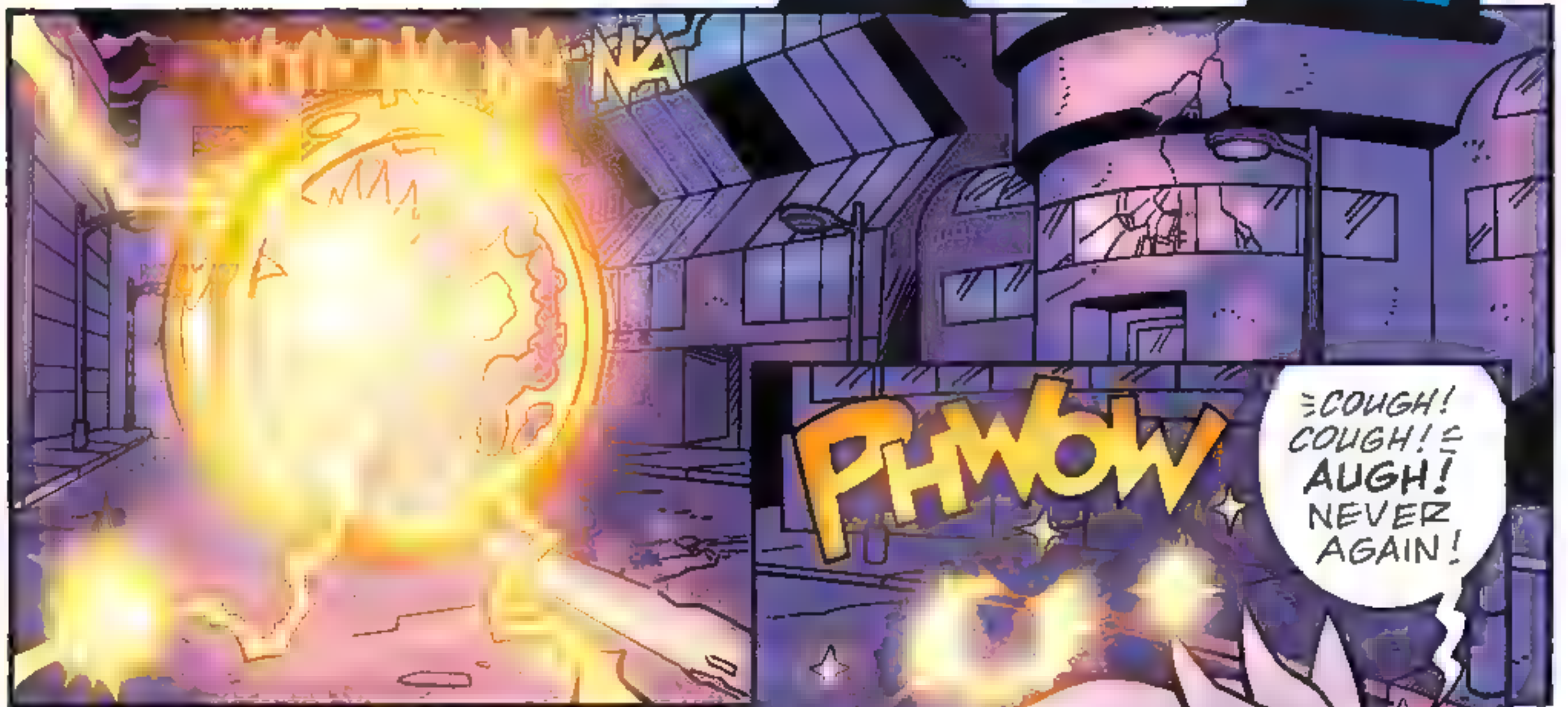
WYAH!

NOW
LET'S SEE
WHERE THIS
GOES!



THIS IS
AWFUL! IT'S LIKE
THE SUPER WARP
RING,* BUT IT
FEELS TWISTED
AND WRONG!

* SILVER USED ONE
IN STH#195-196!



PHWOW

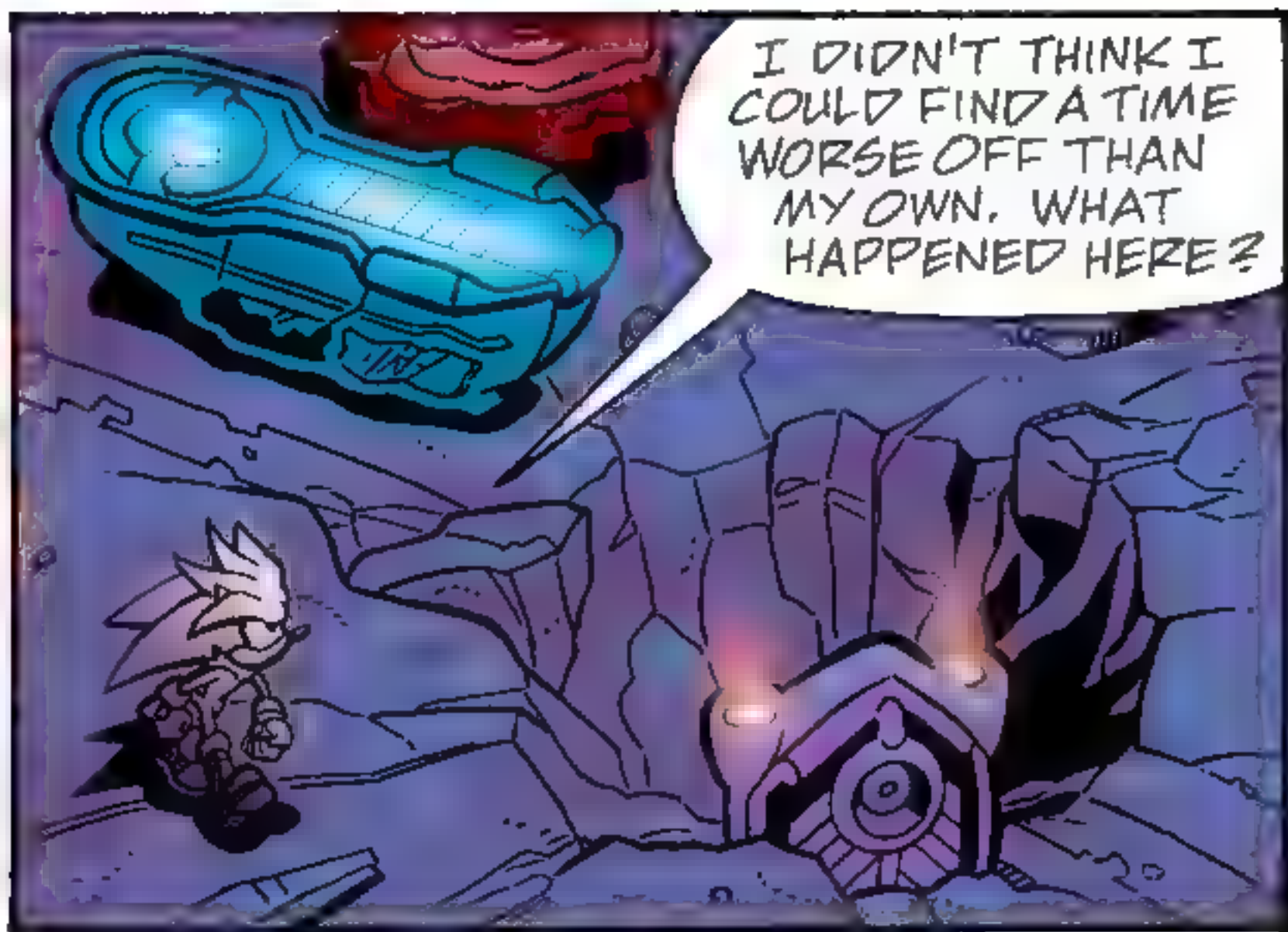
COUGH!
COUGH!
AUGH!
NEVER
AGAIN!



WHERE
AM I...?



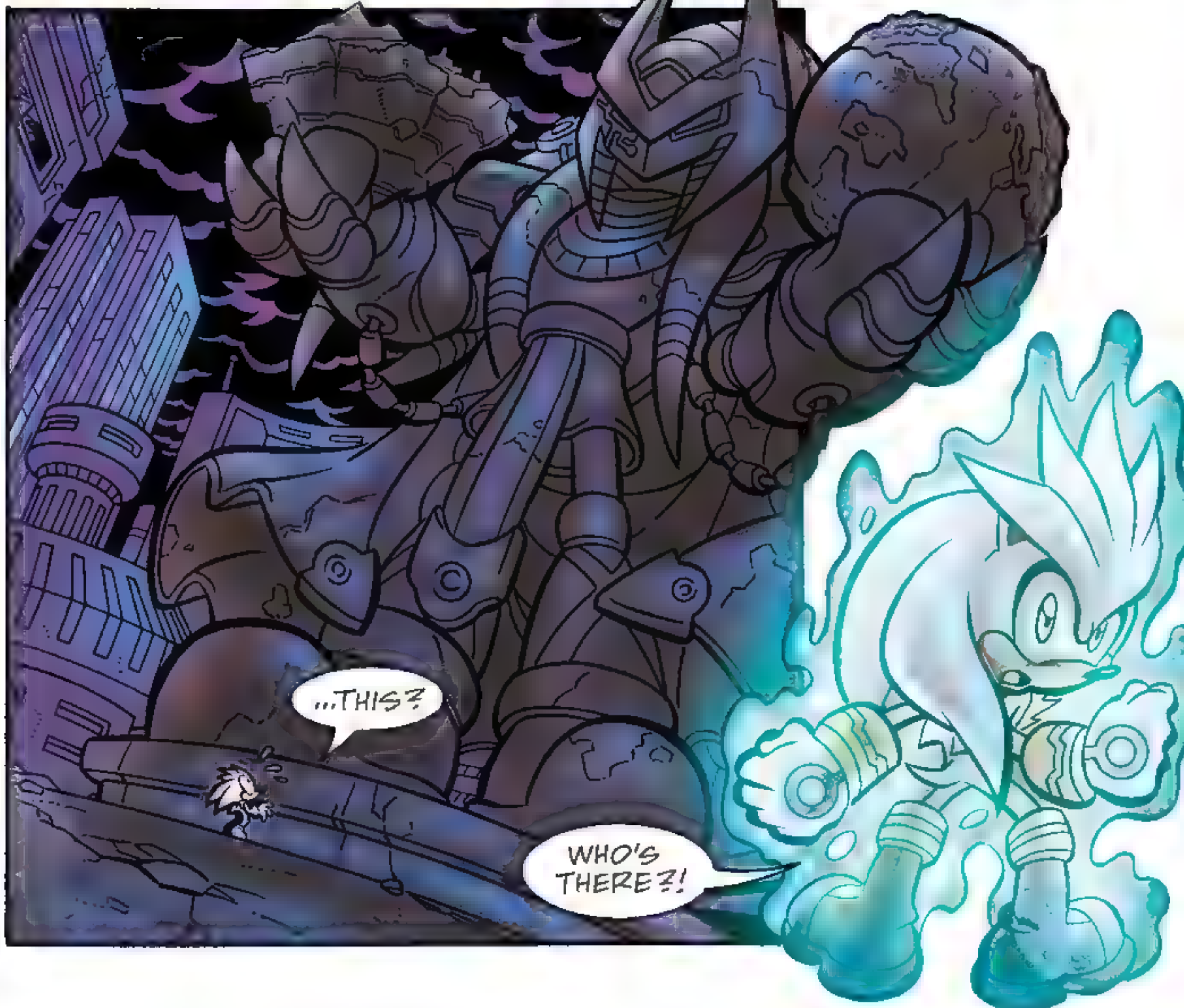
IT LOOKS A LITTLE BIT LIKE THE CITY OF PORTAL ON ONYX ISLAND BUT... DARK.



I DIDN'T THINK I COULD FIND A TIME WORSE OFF THAN MY OWN. WHAT HAPPENED HERE?

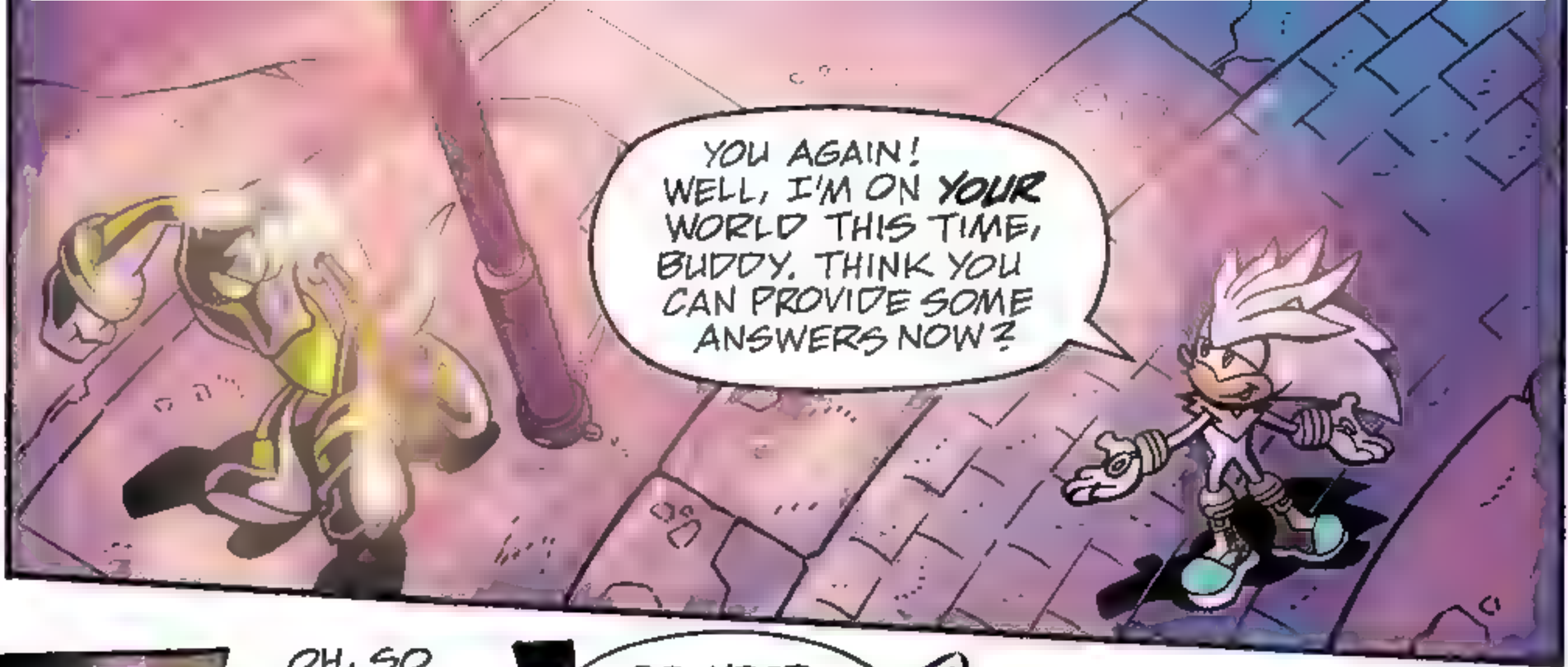


WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OF...



...THIS?

WHO'S THERE?!



YOU AGAIN!
WELL, I'M ON YOUR
WORLD THIS TIME,
BUDDY. THINK YOU
CAN PROVIDE SOME
ANSWERS NOW?



OH, SO
YOU'VE GOT
BACK-UP?
THAT'S FINE!
I'LL TAKE
YOU ALL
ON!

ER...KEEP
'EM COMING.

TH-THE
MORE THE
MERRIER?

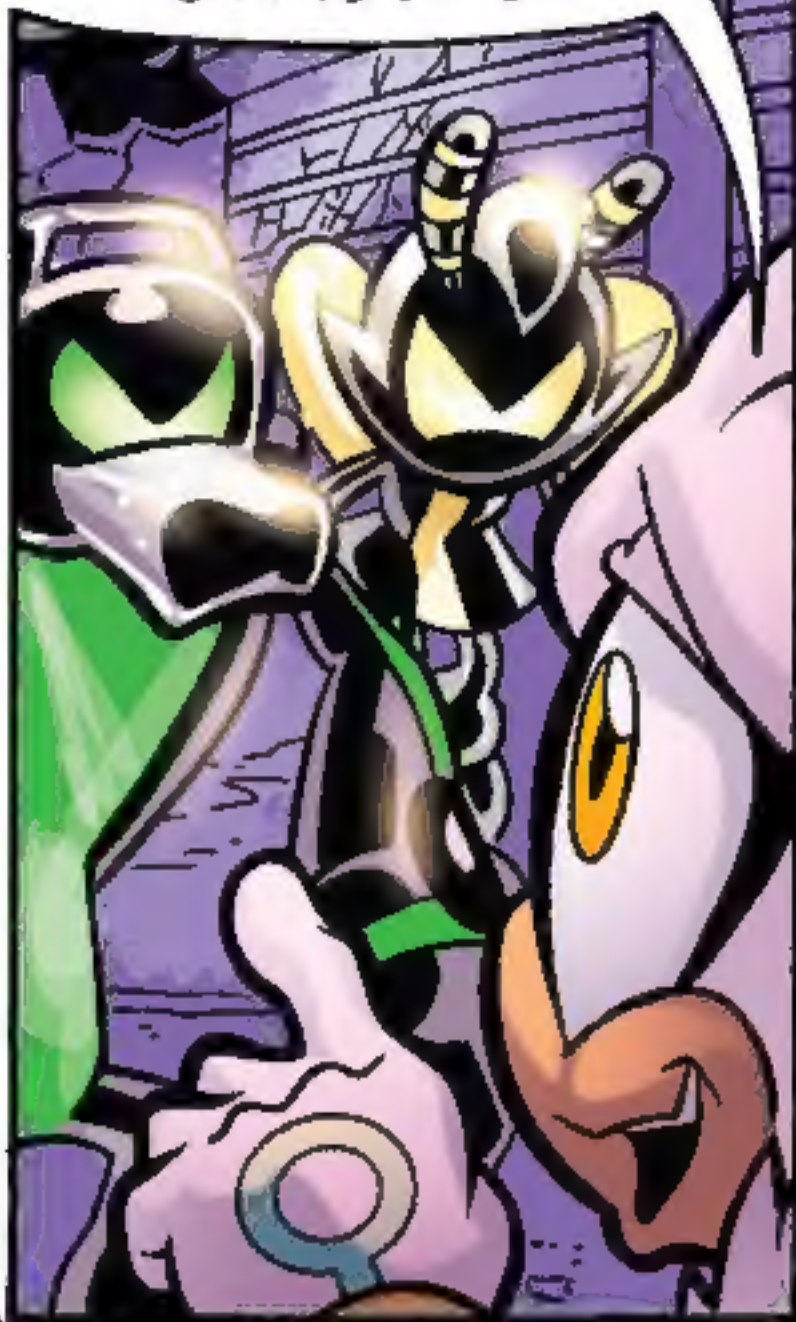


Um...

HAHA! OKAY, YOU GOT ME! BUT THAT'S FAIR, RIGHT?



I MEAN, I BEAT YOU ON MY WORLD! NOW YOU GUYS HAVE ME OUTNUMBERED ON YOURS.



I MEAN, YOU'RE ALL NO MATCH FOR ME.

I THINK.

I HOPE.

SO SAVE YOURSELVES THE BEATING...



...AND WE CAN END THIS PEACEFULLY, RIGHT?



VEKT!

SFRW!

RYY!

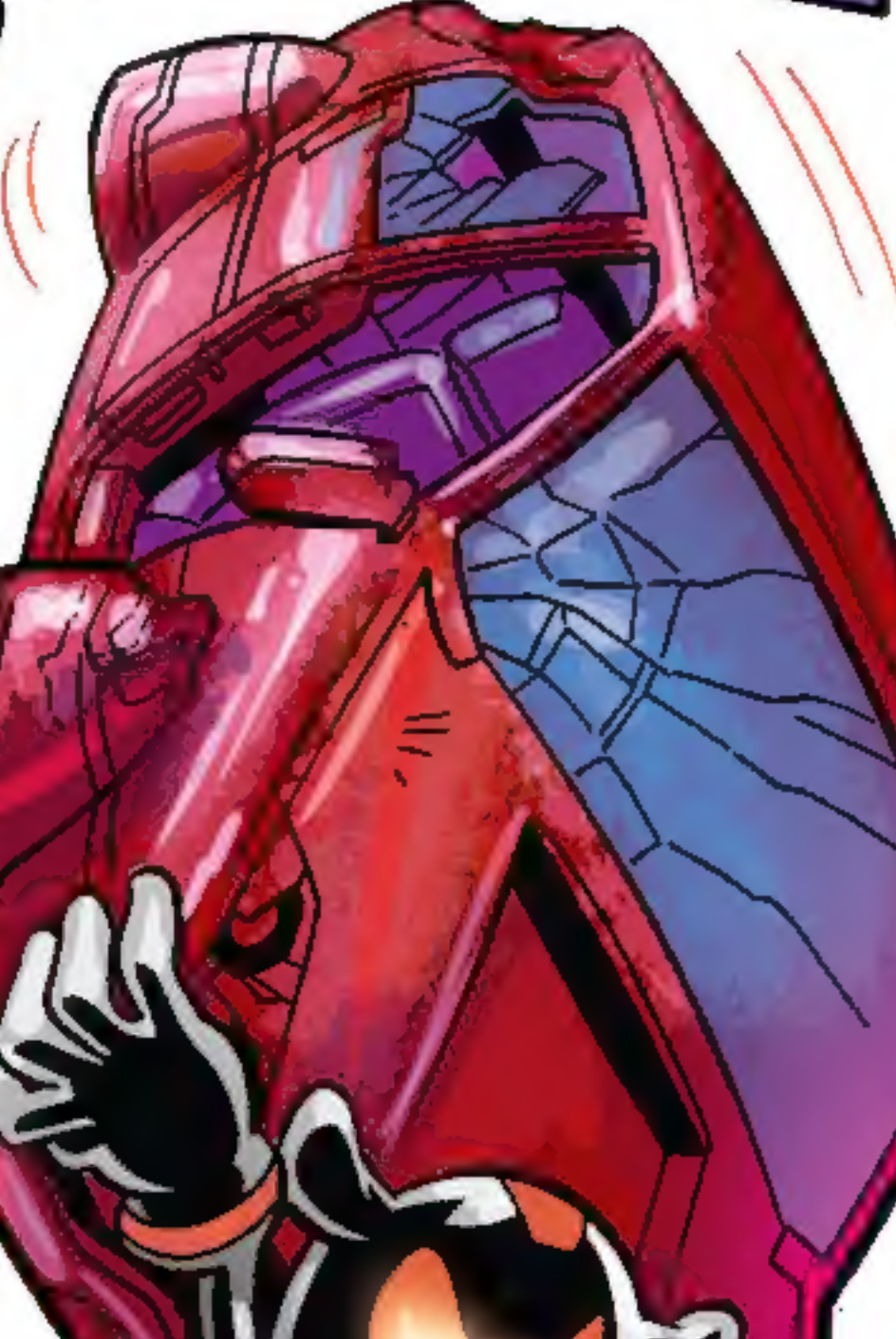
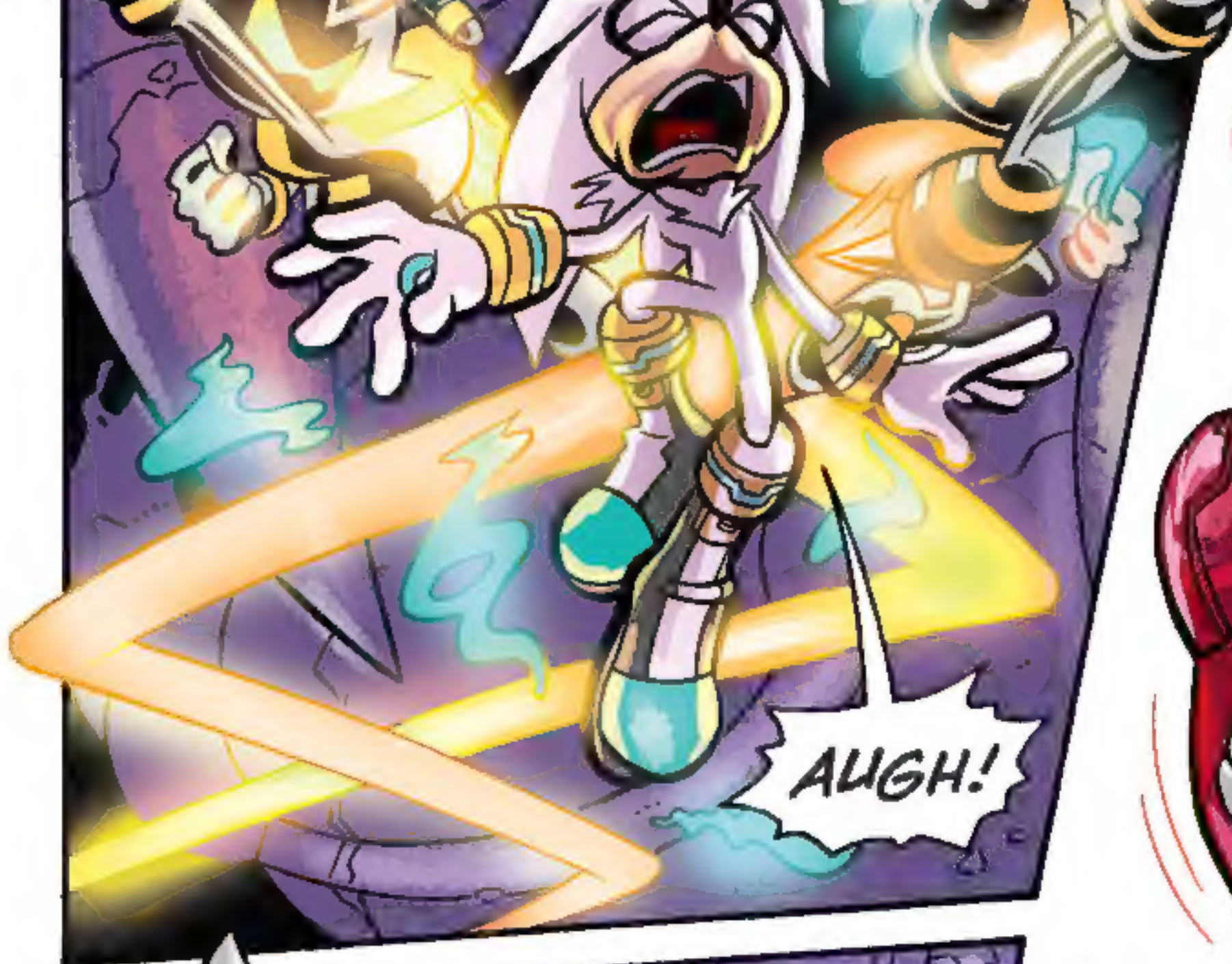
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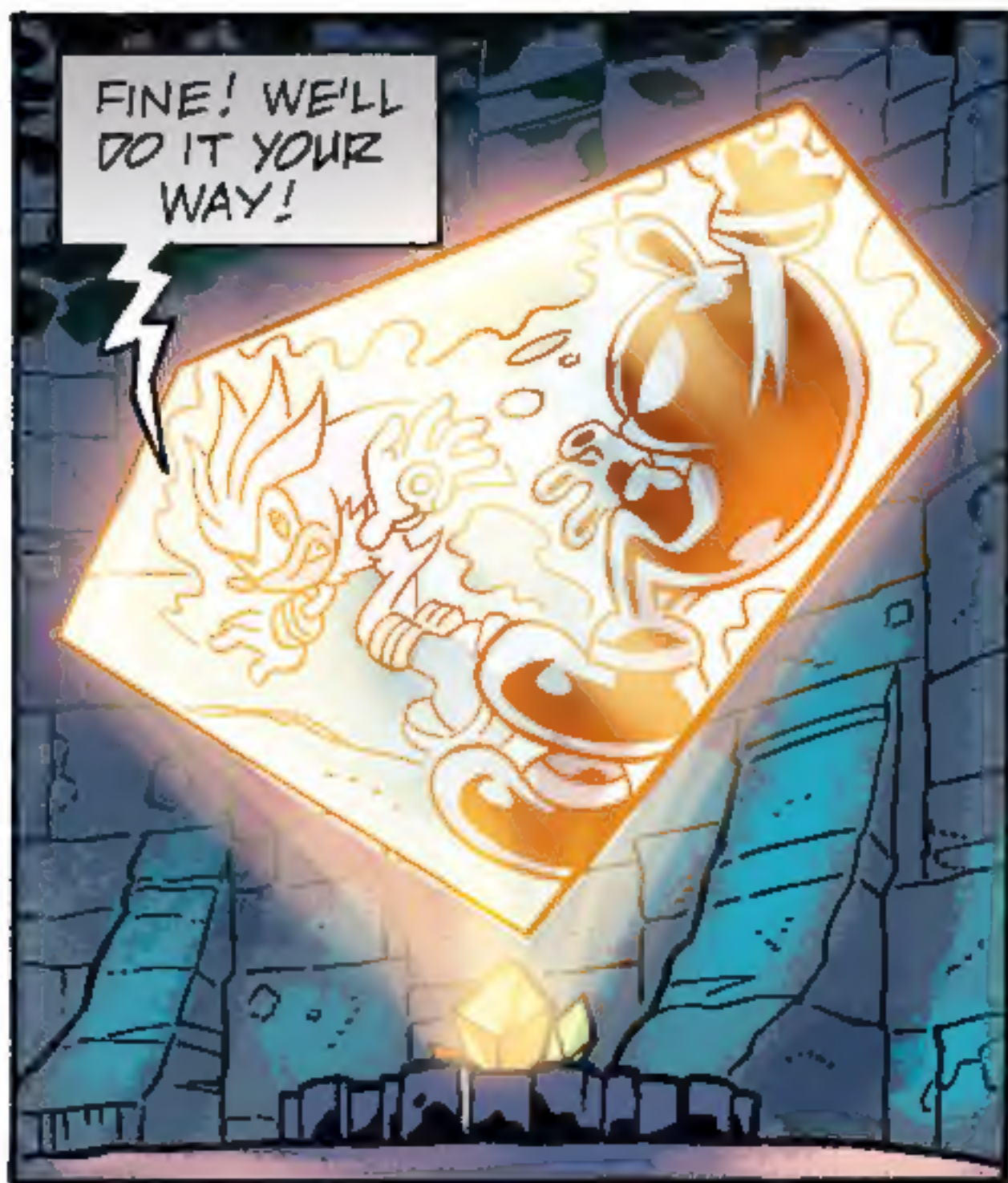
MHZT!

SPO!

YOW!



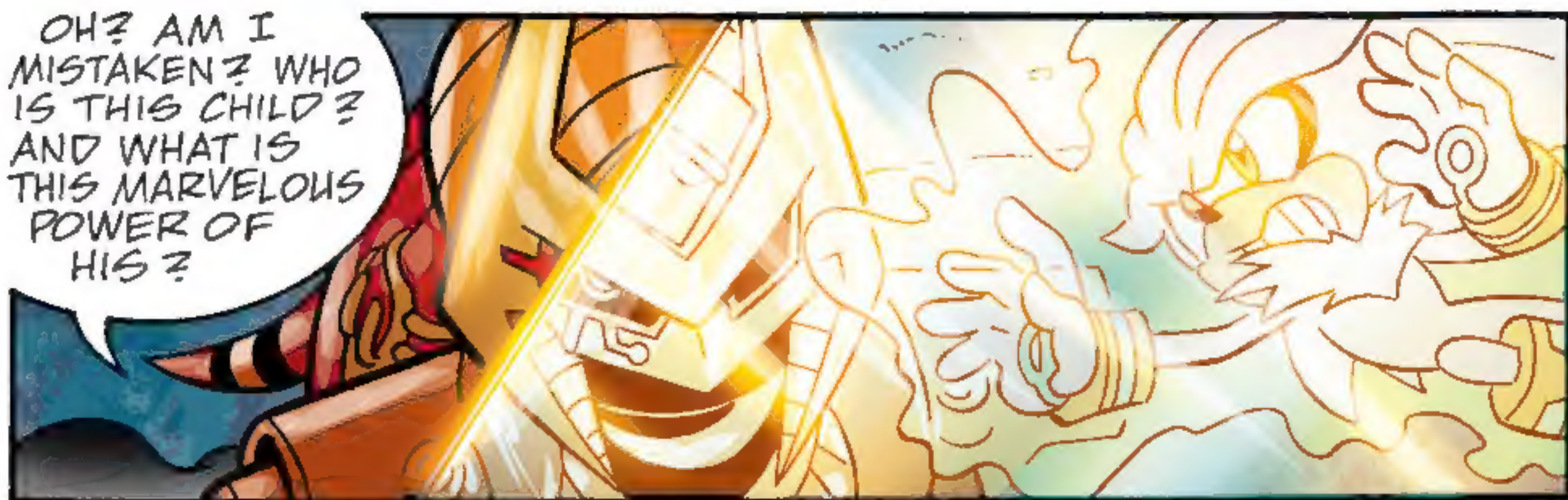




FINE! WE'LL DO IT YOUR WAY!



EXCUSE ME A MOMENT, CONSTABLE, IT APPEARS THE REBELS ARE ACTING UP AGAIN.



OH? AM I MISTAKEN? WHO IS THIS CHILD? AND WHAT IS THIS MARVELOUS POWER OF HIS?



I'M AFRAID I MUST CUT THIS SHORT, OLD FRIEND. SOMETHING FAR MORE INTERESTING HAS ARRIVED IN MY CITY.

SH-SHE'LL... S-S-STOP Y-YOU...



YOU SHOULD KNOW BY NOW, CONSTABLE...



...NOTHING
CAN STOP
ME.

ENERJAK
LIVING GOD

SILVER IS OVERWHELMED ON A DARK AND DISTANT WORLD! THE MOST POWERFUL VILLAIN IN SONIC HISTORY IS HERE TOO! YOU CAN'T MISS WHAT HAPPENS NEXT TIME! UNTIL THEN, ENJOY SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, THE SONIC ARCHIVES AND SONIC SELECTS!